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GOP SENATORS REVEAL U.S. MILITARY SECRETS

Langer Latest to Blab Despite Navy Warning



SEN. WILLIAM LANGER



SEN. H. STYLES BRIDGES

In the face of warnings by Secretary of Navy James V. Forrestal and Presidential Secretary Stephen T. Early that any information on ship transfers was of military value to the enemy, Sen. William Langer, defeatist North Dakota Republican, made public yesterday alleged additional data concerning such transfers to the USSR.

Sen. Langer's action follows similar steps by two other leading Republican senators, Styles Bridges of New Hampshire and Owen Brewster of Maine.

Earlier this week these senators demanded that the Administration confirm or deny reports that one or more American warships have been transferred to the Soviet Union. Sen. Brewster specifically named the Milwaukee as one of the cruisers transferred.

EVASIVE SECURITY RULE

Secretary Forrestal thereupon told a press conference that "military security prevents any information being given now."

Secretary Early branded the demands of the two senators as an evasion of censorship. He charged that the reports on the transfer were "one way certain people seem to have of getting information out that is very probably of military value that some other nations would like to have, but cannot get it from the executive branch of the government."

Early then linked these "certain people" with the senators by saying that they "can get it to their friends on the hill who in turn will pass it out as privileged matter, hence making it publishable under the code."

LANGER HELPS AXIS

Despite this categorical statement by two leading responsible officials concerning the nature of this information, Langer yesterday told the newspapers that he had data to the effect that a number of cruisers of the Omaha type were transferred to the USSR.

He was thus using his official position as a senator to pass out information to the Axis—information otherwise unpublishable under the military censorship.

While Secretary Early did not indicate who the "certain people" he referred to were, on March 11 the Daily Worker published evidence to show that Sen. Bridges was working in close collaboration with the Hearst press in smearing President Roosevelt.

The fact that these Republican senators were willing to spill this information to the enemy indicates how far they have gone in their readiness to betray the nation's struggle in order to defeat the President.

Whether the rumored transfers were made or not is, and must remain, a military secret. But the hysteria created among these Republican senators by the report demonstrates how hostile they are to the policies of military collaboration, including lend-lease, which have guided our nation and the United Nations in the successful war against the Axis.

With posters throughout the nation warning patriots not to give information to the enemy, the action of these senators will doubtless cause strong public protest.



SEC. JAMES V. FORRESTAL

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House 4-Vote Margin Saves FEPC, Annuls Action to Kill Funds

By ADAM LAPIN

WASHINGTON, May 26.—By a narrow four-vote margin, the House voted tonight to save the life of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice.

The House reversed 123 to 119 an earlier vote which would have meant the elimination of a \$500,000 item for the vital anti-discrimination agency from the war agencies appropriation bill.

A coalition of House Republicans and polltax Democrats had jeopardized the further existence of the agency with a 141 to 103 vote for the Tarver amendment.

Republicans in the chamber split evenly on the amendment, with about 45 voting for the Tarver amendment and approximately the same number voting against.

The support of this substantial group of Republicans was enough to give the polltax Democrats, who had bitterly attacked FEPC all day in an unceasing flood of anti-Negro oratory, a temporary margin.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio of New York attempted to force a rollcall vote, but Republican congressmen were apparently not anxious to be recorded on this issue and there were not enough congressmen to get the rollcall. Marcantonio then asked for another teller vote which succeeded in defeating the Tarver amendment.

About 20 congressmen, mostly Republicans, decided to switch, and the FEPC will thus be able to continue if the appropriation is approved in the Senate.

The Republicans who switched were frightened into a realization of the political dynamite in their stand against FEPC.

Polltax speakers directed much of their oratory in an effort to enlist support of the Republicans as part of their broader crusade against the President and "bureaucracy."

Turning towards the Republicans, Rep. John Rankin of Mississippi, shouted:

"If you're going to support this agency, don't ever let me hear another word from you about bureaucrats."

The Republicans got the point, and decided to maintain their alliance with the polltaxers despite the risk of forfeiting Negro votes in the November election.

ABSENTEEISM HURTS

Contributing to the serious setback for FEPC was the absence of many congressmen from New York and other eastern cities who had gone home as they usually do on Friday on the fast 4 p. m., Congressional train.

Rep. Sam Hobbs of Alabama actually made the point that FEPC bars white workers from jobs and "discriminates against citizens whose skin is without pigmentation."

Rep. Vito Marcantonio of New York challenged Hobbs to furnish particulars.

Hobbs didn't come through with any cases.

Representative William Dawson,

the lone Negro member of the House made a stirring appeal for FEPC. "I too am an American," he declared, and told how he got a scar on his forehead and a bullet wound in his arm fighting the Germans in the first World War.

PAC to Hold National Parley

WASHINGTON, May 26 (UP).—The CIO Political Action Committee, which already has endorsed President Roosevelt for a fourth term, plans to call a national conference in Washington in mid-June to chart its program for the 1944 political campaign, it was disclosed today.

A CIO spokesman said more than 300 delegates—the committee's regional and state directors and field officers as well as political action representatives of CIO affiliates—were expected to attend the conference on the eve of the Republican and Democratic national conventions.

The defeat or retirement of three of its foes on the Dies Committee has focused attention of the CIO Committee and Sen. Rufus C. Holman (R-Ore.) admitted that his recent defeat in the Oregon Republican primaries was due to its activities.

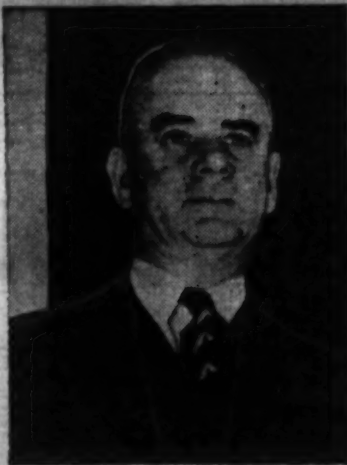
The committee said the June meeting would "outline labor views on issues which will decide 1944's crucial elections" and would prepare a platform calling for full production and full employment in the postwar period.

The conference also is expected to give further attention to the organizational problem of getting workers to register and to vote—a problem which has been given heavy emphasis during the early stages of the committee's work. CIO leaders have blamed the political lethargy of labor for what they interpreted as an anti-labor trend in 1942 and 1943 elections. They have been cheerful over the results of recent primaries.

Tito Forces Raid North Italy

LONDON, May 26 (UP).—Yugoslav flying columns are roaming Istria in northern Italy, and wrecking communications almost to Trieste itself, a communiqué from Tito's headquarters announced today.

Northeast of the area, Partisan mountaineer brigades are engaged in heavy fighting with German units along the Austrian border in the Savinsken Alps and north of the Sava River, a communiqué from Tito's headquarters reported.



PHILIP MURRAY

Murray Rallies Labor on Prices

WASHINGTON, May 26. — CIO President Philip Murray today sent to all affiliated unions an urgent call for action on the price-control issue.

Murray warned that the Bankhead amendment "will open the door to unlimited price increases in every commodity consumers use" and that "it will encourage every profiteering interest now pressing to lift ceilings and destroy price control."

Approved yesterday by the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, the Bankhead amendment provides for cost plus pricing of textiles which will increase the price of work clothes, house dresses, children's clothes and all clothing in the cheaper brackets.

Allies to Try 33 Fascists in Italy

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, May 26 (UP).—Facing possible death sentences, 35 young fascists went on trial today before a three-man Allied control commission general court at Lecce on charges of military and political espionage and attempting to revive the Fascist Party.

The defendants, arrested at various times since last November, were accused of spying on Allied military dispositions and convoys and of trying to carry out fascist activities through an underground movement.

Eisenhower Ends Inspection Tour

LONDON, May 26 (UP).—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower has returned to Headquarters after another inspection trip to British ground force units of the Allied Expeditionary Force, it was announced today. The Moscow newspaper Pravda declared the Allies were ready and waiting for the signal to invade Europe.

A supreme Allied headquarters announcement said that Eisenhower was "highly pleased with the thoroughness of training" of the units he inspected. It was pointed out that as the invasion day approaches, Eisenhower is spending as much time as possible visiting those units which probably will spearhead the mighty Allied assault.

Senate Group Sneaks Through Censure of Gov't in Ward Case

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Star-chamber proceedings and tricky parliamentary maneuvering were used by Sen. Pat McCarran of the Senate Judiciary Committee to jam through today a report assailing the Administration's seizure of Montgomery Ward.

McCarran is head of a three-man sub-committee which assailed every government agency and official involved in the Montgomery Ward case, including Attorney General Francis Biddle, the War Labor Board and the Department of Labor.

The sub-committee report used the Montgomery Ward case as a take-off for recommending drastic legislation which would make all War Labor Board's orders subject to court review and would require court enforcement of orders.

WOULD CRIPPLE WLB

This report proposing the crippling of WLB was signed by McCarran and Sen. Chapman Revercomb, West Virginia Republican.

The report was challenged by one of the three sub-committee members, Sen. Ernest McFarland of Arizona.

McFarland pointed out that none of the government agencies criticized had been given an opportunity to appear before the committee, and that there had been no public hearings whatsoever.

"It has always been my belief that before one is condemned he should be given the right to be heard," he said.

McFarland declared that the sub-committee "has not made the kind of investigation calculated to get the facts required for a full report."

He pointed out that "no testimony has been taken or reduced to writing, and that 'second or third hand' reports of investigators were delivered orally without copies being furnished to sub-committee members."

BLOCKS REAL HEARING

In order to block a real hearing on the issues, McCarran refused to proceed under the Byrd resolution on the Montgomery Ward case which as amended on the floor provided for a genuine investigation of all the facts.

Instead he proceeded under a more general resolution authorizing an investigation of executive orders. McCarran took recognition of the widespread criticism of his high-handed procedure in a statement saying that his report will be considered by a meeting of the full committee on June 26 and that interested parties are invited to file briefs.

But it was pointed out that briefs don't compensate for public hearings, and that by June 26 the sub-committee report and perhaps even the Montgomery Ward case will have become ancient history.

Judge Hits 'Dictatorial' Parole Firing

Criticism of treatment of employees of the New York State Division of Parole by officials of the division is contained in a statement by Judge William Murray, of Albany County Court, reaffirming his original order to reinstate Irving Lanzer as parole officer in the New York office.

Judge Murray, in directing executive director David Dressler and his associates to reinstate Lanzer, declared the civil service law was designed to place a "tight rein over acts and conduct of dictatorial, tyrannical and concealed persons and administrative boards."

Lanzer had charged he was fired without a hearing.

The State County and Municipal Workers of America, CIO, declares the suicide of a parole officer, George Lemon, two weeks ago, was the result of the sort of tactics criticized by Judge Murray. The Parole Division administration, it is charged by the union, had forced Lemon to sign a statement used in dismissing Fred Berson, union chairman and fellow parole officer. Berson had been accused of making derogatory remarks about a superior.

New Disruption At Chrysler

DETROIT, May 26 (UP).—International United Automobile Workers (CIO) executives took immediate steps tonight to stop a second wildcat strike by rebellious members at the Chrysler Highland Park plant, where about 600 workers on an early shift formed picket lines and prevented some 1,500 second-shift employees from entering.

A Chrysler spokesman said the new halt of naval gun production reportedly was in protest against International union disciplinary action in the firing of 14 officers of defiant Local 490 Wednesday.

Chrysler charged the pickets were led by 16 former employees whose discharge instigated the first strike May 17. The eight-day dispute was coincident with the "soda-pop" war between another CIO union and a rival AFL Teamsters Union.

Leo Lamotte was appointed administrator by a UAW executive board that ousted William Jenkins, president, and 13 other officers for their part in the first unauthorized strike.

Price Control Week Brings Message to Millions

More than 300,000 New Yorkers were involved at meetings, rallies, and door-to-door canvassing during Price Control Week just concluded. Miss Lydia Altschuler of the New York City Consumer Council, estimated yesterday.

Millions more were informed of the issues involved in the renewal of price control through widespread newspaper publicity. Some 1,500 meetings were held, ranging from noontime shop meetings of union members to big rallies in local communities. More than 100 AFL and CIO unions participated.

Consumer Councils held carriage

parades, street rallies and even a Maypole celebration in observance of the week. Settlement houses featured it in club activities.

"Even our most enthusiastic members were astonished at the eagerness with which neighbors took to information on price control," commented Consumer Council spokesmen.

"We found people lingering around street rallies after speakers had departed, buttonholing consumer council members to find out how they could help. Participating unions report 100 per cent support in shops. If New York is any sample of the rest of the country, Congress is going to get a tidal wave of price control letters, postcards and petitions."

Price Control Week was aided by official declarations from Mayor LaGuardia and from borough presidents John Cashmore, James J. Lyons and James A. Burke.

Most Consumer Council members are continuing their price activities, reported Miss Altschuler. They will go right on until a new and stronger Price Control Act is passed.

Brooklyn led in the number of neighborhood rallies, parades and information booths. Organization of the Brooklyn Non-Partisan Legislative Conference resulted in dozens of community get-togethers.

Bronx activities, which started off a week early with a chain of community meetings organized by the

Bronx Coordinating Council, continued through Price Control Week with a huge windup rally at the Star of Munster Ballroom Wednesday night. Two new Bronx consumer councils were formed as a result of the week's activities.

Manhattan held big rallies. Most outstanding was the job done by the Upper West Side Consumer Council which held meetings and stationed volunteers with petitions on key corners.

Unions participating were the United Shoe Workers, Hotel and Club Employees, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Transport Workers and State County and Municipal Workers.

Air Force Flew 350,000 Sorties

WASHINGTON, May 26 (UP).—American air forces flew 350,000 sorties against the enemy last year. The total for 1944 will be 1,500,000—more than four times the 1943 figure.

They dropped 200,000 tons of bombs in 1943. This year's aggregate will be 700,000 tons.

The estimates of the striking power of the Army air forces were given today in a War Department showing of "Army Air Forces Report," a film version of Gen. Henry H. Arnold's recent official report on the air forces.

Allies Plunge Northward, Nazis Flee Liri Valley to Avoid Trap



These Yanks in foxholes hidden by tall grass have two Nazi battalions trapped below them in the Galleria di Monti Orso Tunnel, west of Fondi, Italy. Rifles and machine guns cover the only exit for the enemy and Yanks wait tensely for sign of the white flag or desperate, shooting Nazis. These soldiers helped take Fondi which opened the road for the final juncture of the Anzio and main front armies.

USSR Hails Pact With Britain

MOSCOW, May 26 (UP).—The Soviet press editorially hailed the second anniversary of the Anglo-Soviet Alliance today, emphasizing that the Allies were now on the eve of the great final offensive promised at the Teheran conference.

"The Red Army's glorious winter and spring offensive showed an example of military fulfillment of obligations undertaken," Ivestia said. "Thus it naturally may be concluded that the obligation of all parties will be kept and carried out with similar precision."

"Therefore, the combined ruthless offensive against Germany from the west, East and South will become a fact in the very near future."

We celebrate the second anniversary of the Anglo-Soviet treaty on the eve of new events which will play a historic role."

"Ahead of us are decisive battles which will bring complete and full victory," said Red Star.

"Allied forces, having finished preparations, await the signal to invade Europe—an invasion which Germany can't prevent," said Pravda. "The fascist bloc is falling apart."

WNYC to Broadcast Lewisohn Concerts

Once again this summer, music lovers in New York City will be able to listen to the broadcasts of the outstanding concerts by the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra from Lewisohn Stadium, and the Goldman Band Concerts from the Mall in Central Park which will be carried over New York City's own station WNYC and WNYC-FM.

Beginning Wednesday, June 21, and continuing each Wednesday and Sunday evening thereafter at 8:30 WNYC and static-free WNYC-FM will broadcast the Stadium Philharmonic concerts. Already listed for the first concert broadcasts on Wednesday, June 21, and Sunday, June 25, is the noted conductor Sir Thomas Beecham. As in the past, WNYC-FM will broadcast these concerts in their entirety even after WNYC signs off at 10:00 p. m.

Will Liberate Rather Than Invade, FDR Says of Offensive

WASHINGTON, May 26 (UP).—President Roosevelt, stating definitely that major military operations will be conducted in Europe this summer, today described the forthcoming offensive as a project of liberation rather than an invasion.

He heartily endorsed an idea suggested in a newspaper editorial that the Allied operations in Europe were for liberation, instead of an action of invasion.

He said that all of our plans were on that basis, referring particularly to postwar planning which he said was progressing far better than it had at the corresponding stage of the last World War.

He told how the Allies have taken up many problems affecting post-war matters and arrived at specific written recommendations on some of them.

SOVIETS ACTIVE IN PLAN

Under questioning he said the Soviet government was functioning as an active and satisfactory collaborator in this planning. . . .

Mr. Roosevelt's discussion in this field was touched off by a question about general preparations for the invasion and the chances of success.

The word invasion, he said, is not quite adequate to cover the tremendous things in Europe.

He said the activities in Europe which are going to come off some time this summer amounted to liberation of people who have been oppressed for some time.

Then, avoiding discussion in military terms, he said that the current postwar planning was aimed at trying to eliminate a third world war.

REFERS TO POSTWAR

He highlighted postwar discussions held at Casablanca and at Cairo and Teheran. Nothing was put on paper at those conferences, he said, but a great many things were discussed thoroughly and had since been reduced to the form of a first draft.

Reminded that Secretary of State Cordell Hull had said today that this country was probably far ahead of others in its plans for post-war security, the President was asked just what these plans

comprised. He declined to specify, saying that he would no more give out a first draft of postwar plans than he would release a first draft of one of his speeches for publication. All in all, he added, things are getting along awfully well.

Britain Issues White Paper For Sweeping Postwar Job Plan

LONDON, May 26 (UP).—Planning to eliminate the spectre of a postwar economic slump, the British government issued a White Paper today detailing a sweeping program to get the nation back to work by finding jobs for all after the war.

Air Blows Rip French Rails

LONDON, May 26 (UP).—Powerful American air fleets, striking from Britain and Italy, clamped a great aerial pincer on France's network of rail communications again today, with Mediterranean-based Flying Fortresses and Liberators spearheading the assault by hitting seven rail targets in the Lyon and Nice areas.

It was the second straight day that American bombers in Britain and Italy teamed up for combined operations to disrupt the flow of Nazi troops and supplies.

Nazi coastal fortifications along the Atlantic Wall and German troop concentrations in Yugoslavia also were pounded by Allied warplanes.

Up to 750 U. S. 15th Air Force Flying Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by a similar number of American fighter planes, paced the assault with raids "designed to cut lines over which the Germans have been moving supplies, armor and troops to the Italian battlefronts," according to a Naples announcement.

U. S. 9th Air Force Thunderbolt fighter-bombers attacked a number of vital rail targets in northern France during the afternoon and also hit Luftwaffe airfields.

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Naples, May 26 (UP).—American troops have captured Cisterna and smashed on six miles to the northeast to take Cori, it was announced today, in an advance which threatened the escape route of thousands of Germans in full flight along the Liri Valley to the south.

Capture of Cori, only nine miles from the Via Casilina, and Allied occupation of Mount Cairo and San Vioanni in the Liri Valley were announced in a special communique from Gen. Sir Harold Alexander's headquarters which said that the battle for Italy now has entered the stage of smashing the Germans' Rome defense.

Swift American exploitation of their beachhead breakthrough sent another spearhead crashing north from Cisterna toward Velletri in a three and a half mile drive along the Appian Way to a point only 21 miles south of Rome.

PLANES BLAST 1,100 CARS

Allied planes roaring over roads behind the German lines destroyed or damaged more than 1,100 motor vehicles yesterday, and an Air Force spokesman said today that the lateral Velletri-Valmontone road supplying the Rome line east of the Alban hills was in a "chaotic" state from Allied raids.

Allied troops driving through the Pontine marshes occupied Benito Mussolini's "model town" of Sabaudia, Pontina and Littoria yesterday along the Borgo Grappa.

The final battle for Cisterna was a bitter struggle with the Germans

suffering heavy casualties. Only 100 prisoners were counted at the completion of a four-hour fight, but that brought to more than 12,000 the total number of Nazis captured since the offensive opened two weeks ago.

CLARK ARMY ROLLING

The capture of Cori and the American drive within four miles of Velletri indicated that Lt. Gen. Mark W. Clark was throwing his beachhead forces east in a rolling tide that was nearing contact with the Germans between Velletri and Valmontone.

The routed German troops in the south were being harried by 8th Army Canadians who found a hard-bottomed ford in the Melfa river yesterday with only two feet of water which permitted their tanks and armored cars to stream across in an uninterrupted flow.

One spearhead of the 8th's armor was driving northeast toward Arce and Avezzano while another formation was sweeping into the upper reaches of the Melfa.

Across the Liri Valley mixed American and French forces of the 5th Army which captured Vallecora also took Monte Civitella and consolidated other high ground overlooking the Amaseno River. Among other peaks captured were Mt. Cinale, Mt. Vaglia and Colle Grande, all near Pastena.

Aquino, on the floor of the valley, fell after a raging tank battle on the airfield south of the town yesterday afternoon. Although army dispatches announced the airfield was taken six days ago, the powerful counter-attacks thrown in by German paratroopers indicated that the British had been stalled there for almost a week.

80,000 Liberated in New Italy Offensive

The Allied armies in Italy have liberated over 80,000 civilians in the 25 towns already seized since the beginning of the new offensive, a British broadcast, heard in New York by the United Press, reported yesterday.

Fifteen tons of food were distributed to 16,000 refugees in Fondi Thursday, and nine tons of food were distributed in Terracina Friday, the broadcast said.

ing manpower and raw materials for urgent civilian production, curtailment of munitions production in those areas where labor and equipment can be used for high priority civilian goods, disposition of government stocks to prevent dislocation of normal trade channels, and disposition of government factories in such a way that will help restore employment immediately.

McCormick Wins the Iron Cross

CHICAGO, May 26 (FP).—Here in the heart of America where the corn grows tall and labor folks can spot a fascist quick as a polecat, Col. Robert R. McCormick, publisher of the Chicago Tribune, is regarded as head and shoulders above any competing fascists.

In a poll of labor and civic leaders, social workers and professional men just concluded by the Chicago office of Federated Press to find out who are regarded as America's three leading fascists, McCormick rolled up almost a 3 to 1 lead over his nearest competitor, Martin Dies.

The poll, taken over a two-month period, showed a

marked weakening in Dies' bid as runner-up since he threw in the sponge. The figures:

McCormick, 251; Dies, 92; Coughlin, 49.

Leading the scattering field of also-rans were: Gerald L. K. Smith, 42; Henry Ford, 39; John E. Rankin, 34; William Randolph Hearst, 22; Lamont duPont, 21.

A handful of votes were given Sen. Burton K. Wheeler, Gen. Robert E. Wood, former head of the America First Committee; Elizabeth Dilling (who apparently doesn't rate high in her own home town as a fascist despite current sedition trial publicity); Sen. Robert R. Reynolds, Rep. Clare Hoffman, Sewell L. Avery and Lawrence Dennis.

Ruling on Rehiring Vets Seen as Forward Step

By BOB THOMPSON

In a ruling of May 25, 1943, the Selective Service Administration moved effectively to implement and strengthen its earlier ruling that servicemen on discharge should get the jobs they left back, circumstances permitting.

The new ruling provides:

1. A returning veteran is entitled to reinstatement in his former position or one of like seniority, status and pay, even though such reinstatement necessitates the discharge of a non-veteran with greater seniority.



Bob Thompson

2. Seniority rights accumulate during the veteran's period of active service in the armed forces in the same manner as they would have accumulated had he remained continuously at work in his civilian occupation.

3. A veteran, in order to claim reinstatement in a position, must be qualified to perform the duties and functions of that position. If unable to qualify for an upgraded job, he is, nevertheless, entitled to a position equal in seniority, status and pay to the one which he left.

4. A veteran is entitled to his former position or one of like seniority, status and pay, and may refuse another, even though the pay is greater and offers other advantages.

5. Conscientious objectors have no reemployment rights under the law and the Selective Service system has no responsibility to aid them in regaining former positions or obtaining new positions.

This new ruling of the Selective Service Administration will undoubtedly receive the full support of all sections of organized labor. It provides a substantial basis for union contract negotiation and settlements on matters pertaining to veterans.

Further problems confronting unions and discharged servicemen, which are not covered in the new ruling, include:

Provisions in contracts for employment of partially disabled veterans and amending of State Employment Insurance laws to facilitate this.

Extension of 40-day time limit within which discharged servicemen are supposed to make application for reinstatement in their former jobs in all cases of servicemen needing a longer period of convalescence following discharge.

Provisions which provide for the rehiring of discharged servicemen on the basis of job skills and ratings acquired during service.

G. K. Smith Here

Gerald L. K. Smith, America First Party chief and rabble-rouser held a press conference at the Hotel Pennsylvania here yesterday.



These Navy fliers made the first attack on a Nazi U-boat with rocket guns somewhere in the Atlantic and were credited with a "probable" kill. They are (left to right): Radioman Charles H. Gertsch, Kingswood, W. Va.; Pilot Lieut. Leonard L. McFord, Barrington, Ill., and Machinist's Mate William H. Ryder, Fairhope, Ala.—Navy photo.

Lawyers Ask Special Session on GI Ballot

A special session of the Legislature to amend the inadequate New York State Soldier Vote Act was demanded yesterday of Gov. Thomas Dewey by the New York City Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild.

The lawyers' body joined with Democrats, ALP'ites, labor unions and other win-the-war groups in pressing for a real federal ballot for men and women in the armed forces, merchant marine, Red Cross and United Service organizations.

GUILD PROPOSALS

The Guild asked amendment of the present statute to:

1. Recognize the validity of the federal ballot.

2. Extend the right to use an absentee war ballot to eligible New York voters serving with the merchant marine, American Red Cross and United Service Organizations.

3. Remove the requirement that an absentee voter submit a signed application for a ballot before such a ballot may be sent him, and permit an application for such a ballot to be made in writing by any friend or relative of such absentee voter.

4. Permit absentee ballots to be counted if returned at any time prior to the closing of the polls on Nov. 7, 1944.

The lawyers also called upon the New York State War Ballot Commission to strive to obtain from the War and Navy departments the name, residence and military address of each war voter for entry in the appropriate election registers. Provision for the mailing of ballots to absentee war voters immediately after candidates for various offices are announced, was also urged.

SEE GOP BALLOT RUSE

The Guild's demands followed a recent announcement by the Dewey-controlled State War Ballot Commission that mailing applications for soldier ballots would be delayed until mid-August. The Commission's action is seen in effect as another attempt to reduce the time soldiers all over the world have in obtaining applications and ballots and returning them to New York. The new procedure adopted by the

commission emphasizes the need of making applications largely unnecessary by accepting names and addresses of soldiers from relatives and organizations as the basis for sending ballots. Several large states, including Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and Ohio, have adopted such laws as a result of public demand.

RWR Meeting to Hear UAW Head

R. J. Thomas, president of the United Automobile Workers, will address a Russian War Relief commemorative meeting June 22 at Madison Square Garden.

Order of the Day, a pageant portraying the traditional friendship between the American and Russian peoples, will be presented, featuring stars of radio, stage and dance.

Tickets are on sale at all CIO headquarters in New York and at Russian War Relief, 11 E. 35 St., New York.

Urge Negro for Education Board

A Negro is suggested for one of the two vacancies on New York City's Board of Education by the Citywide Citizens Committee on Harlem, which on Monday, opens its third annual campaign to improve conditions in the Negro community.

Frank E. Karsen, Jr., chairman of the committee's subcommittee on education and recreation, points out in a letter to Mayor LaGuardia that Negroes, constituting about 16 percent of Manhattan's population, "should be represented at the policymaking level by one of their own group."

Ben Davis Hits Foes of Bill on Bias Housing

Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., scored heavily yesterday the failure of the Board of Estimate to pass the anti-discrimination housing bill.

"The representative vote of the City Council in passing this bill," he stated, "represents the people's verdict against signing the contract with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. for the lily-white Stuyvesant Town project. New Yorkers will not accept a Jimcrow project simply because certain members of the Board of Estimate surrender to political blackmail."

Davis pointed to the housing bill as a tremendous victory for democracy, but said that the Board of Estimate has a far worse opinion of the city's large corporations than he has.

"I refuse to believe," he said, "that every big corporation is like the Metropolitan, and feels it must establish Hitler's racial supremacy theories in a housing project before it will enter into the private housing field."

Davis called upon labor, the Negro people and particularly upon white anti-fascist organizations to make their voices heard, especially, he said, to those members of the board who voted against the housing bill or who refused to take a position. He asked these groups to guarantee that the bill is passed June 8, next meeting of the board.

Thanks Herb, Says Tom

Herbert Hoover, the Great Humanitarian, has decided on a special deed of kindness to Tom Dewey. In a desire not to burden his pet candidate with memories of the

Great Depression, apple selling and the bonus march, Hoover announced this week, "I am taking and expect to take no part in the selection of the Republican nominee." He attacked "continuous efforts by ill-informed people to link my name with various possible nominees for President."

People may have been "ill-informed," but they got their information straight from the dark horse's mouth, via International News Service, in a news item last April as follows:

WASHINGTON, April 7 (INS).—Former President Hoover informed friends in Washington he would be "entirely satisfied" with nomination of Gov. Thomas E. Dewey as the Republican candidate.

Jewish Unity Rally in Bronx June 1

Murray Weinstein, vice-president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, will address a Jewish Unity Rally for Victory June 1 at Elmsmere Hall, 284 East 170th St., Bronx, sponsored by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists & Scientists, Inc.

Other speakers include Rabbi Leonard Greenberg, of Temple Israel in New Rochelle; Dr. Annette Rubinstein, principal of the Robert Louis Stevenson School; Leonard Golditch, executive-secretary, National Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism, and Lester Zirin, of the national council of the committee.

Housing Week

The 2,700 families of servicemen and war workers living at the Fort Greene project will celebrate Public Housing Week, Sunday, with a full day of community and recreational activities sponsored by the Fort Greene Tenants Association.

News Capsules

One of Quadruplets Dies

George, smallest of England's Moxham quadruplets born on May 22, died Thursday, while the condition of two others is causing anxiety. Only Brian, who weighed three pounds, 10½ ounces, at birth, is thriving.

A court-martial at Camp Anza, Cal., found 2d Lt. Beaufort Swancutt guilty of murdering his sweetheart and three other persons, and recommending that he die by hanging. The 12 officers hearing the case returned a verdict after less than an hour's deliberation.

New Yorkers—2,416 of them—were arrested for making unnecessary noise according to the Police Department's annual report. But New Yorkers are not really that noisy, police explain. Arrests under that classification are for gambling. A case of tin-horn gamblers.

A total of 82 minnows were born to Hildergarde, a one-inch guppy who makes her home in a fishbowl, belonging to 14-year-old Arthur Kamermayer of Washington Heights. An ichthyologist pronounced it unusual. Usual spawn is from five to 12 in the first batch, later as many as 50.

At Camerville, N. J., 36-year-old

Scott Farland was sentenced to life imprisonment in New Jersey State Prison for murdering 61-year-old James Manchester last Jan. 23. Manchester was the husband of Farland's former sweetheart. A U. S. Navy Gunners Mate Third Class, Farland was still wearing his uniform when sentenced.

The artist who drew the reproduction of the U. S. seal for a syndicate of ration-ticket counterfeiters is being sought throughout the nation by Federal agents. The nation's anti-inflationary rationing system remains jeopardized, Assistant U. S. District Attorney said while this artist remains at large. Meanwhile two of the alleged operators of a counterfeit press, Max Spiegel and Harry DuBisky, were out on \$2,500 bail each. The two were seized on Wednesday night.

Iowans were still battling flood waters as the flood crest of the Des Moines and Racoon Rivers reached Ottumwa, Ia. More than 1,500 persons are homeless. Heavy rains are increasing flood threats at Dubuque, Ia., where three feet of water covers the municipal airport. Industrial plants at Keokuk, Ia., were forced to shut down.

Union Takes City to Court in Dual Job Fight

Mayor LaGuardia extended his war against dual employment in the city services yesterday to the Department of Sanitation with the result that nine were laid off and 500 were called in for questioning.

The Mayor's bullets ricocheted, however, as the State, County and Municipal Workers, CIO union representing city workers, went to court for an injunction to end the war.

The SCMWA established the right of municipal employees to take any employment they like off duty as long as it doesn't interfere with their official functions, James V. King, union president said.

WON PREVIOUS COURT TEST

The matter, he explained, was settled in a Court of Appeals decision in February, 1943, which reinstated Mortimer A. Nettleson, a Department of Welfare employee, with back pay, after he had been fired for holding down two jobs at one time.

Holding that the Court of Appeals decision set a precedent, the union obtained an order yesterday from Supreme Court Justice Hammer directing Sanitation Commissioner William Carey to show cause Monday why a temporary injunction enjoining the suspension should not be issued. Three weeks hence, there will be argument on the union's motion for a permanent injunction.

The Mayor started his fight against dual employment with a fireman whose suspension he ordered because he was holding down a job in war industry.

THOUSANDS AFFECTED

Thousands in Sanitation hold down extra jobs, partly to help the war effort and partly to supplement inadequate city pays, King said. The effect of the Mayor's order, if it were not to be upset, would be to drive many out of part time war work.

The city has posters displayed throughout the transit system for part-time employees, the union leader added. If the city cracks down on double jobs, how can it expect cooperation from those in private employment, he queried.

Correction

The lead sentence in the story on the Queens congressional race in yesterday's Daily Worker was garbled. The sentence should have read:

A primary fight for at least one of the four Queens Democratic designations for Congress seemed certain, as Arthur Kram, prominent Queens Democrat announced yesterday that he would oppose Rep. William B. Barry for the nomination in the new fourth district.

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General Motors Head in Anti-Union Call Urges Drive to 'Convert' Labor

No 'Exceptions' in No-Strike Pledge, Declares Bridges Union

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—Following an address by Harry Bridges, a membership meeting of the 5,000-strong Warehouse, Local 16, last night voted overwhelmingly for a resolution declaring that "any strike for any reason engaged in by any section of labor is a strike directed against all labor."

The resolution introduced by Richard Lynden, denounced strikes as "treason against the nation."

The resolution went further, declaring that the union favors a no-strike pledge not only for the duration but "indefinitely thereafter."

MESSAGE TO EISENHOWER

Bridges, asking that the local send a copy of the resolution to Gen. Eisenhower, said "let him know that we are ready when he is ready to roll and we'll be right there behind him."

Explaining the postwar outlook of the Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, Bridges said that the strike as a weapon is "overboard not only for the duration but after the war."

"We reject any hostility of labor to capital as such and any hostility to unions as such," he added, "knowing well that such approaches are luxuries that neither can now afford. We must not throw the burden of postwar employment on the employers."

He explained that giving up the right to strike does not mean abandoning the fight to improve conditions. It "only means that we are choosing different weapons," he said.

The resolution was a point-blank

reply to the efforts of some disrupters in the CIO supported by PM in New York, who attacked Bridges for his refusal to call out his locals in a sympathy strike with the Chicago Montgomery Ward local of the retail union. The resolution said that labor's no-strike pledge is "voluntary and unconditional" and does not provide for "exceptions."

"And it must be recognized that to admit the rightness of a small strike is to admit the rightness of a large strike," it continued.

The resolution further served notice that the union will give no sympathy to any section of labor that seeks to "make exceptions to this pledge."

Scalise Aide to Be Sentenced June 16

Isidor Schwartz, one of the pals of imprisoned ex-President George Scalise of the International Building Service Employees, will be sentenced on June 16.

He pleaded guilty in General Sessions court to extortion charges. Scalise was convicted in 1940 for stealing \$60,087 from his union's treasury and extortion estimated to run up to a million from employers as "strike protection."

Non-Union Shipyards Source Of Loafing, CIO Official Holds

By DOROTHY LOES

All those charges of loafing in ship repair yards so sensationally aired in yesterday's papers are "strictly from non-union," Thomas J. Flynn, CIO Marine & Shipbuilding Workers official, said yesterday.

Flynn, chairman of his union's New York Port Council, was a witness before the congressional subcommittee, headed by Rep. Louis J. Capozzoli (D-NY), which is investigating projected layoff of War Shipping Administration Field Service Division inspectors.

Testifying at a hearing in Federal Court Building, Foley Square, Flynn spoke vigorously against the layoff of the inspectors, slated for next Tuesday.

His union considers the inspectors, whose services are said to have saved the government \$10,000,000 in ship repairs, essential to efficient operation, he declared.

He proposed, however, that the inspection service be operated on a tri-partite basis with labor-management-government participation and that experienced shipbuilders be drawn into supervision.

"FLY-BY-NIGHTERS"

Discussing testimony heard by the committee Wednesday of payroll padding, labor overloading, dice

games and general loafing in ship repair yards, Flynn said these conditions existed in plants run by "fly-by-night" subcontractors having neither equipment nor supervision.

Cardinal Engineering, listed as an offender, is an unorganized shop that did \$20,000 worth of business in 1938; and zoomed in 1943 to \$6,000,000 worth of contracts, Flynn said.

Flynn said the CIO union had never appealed a case where workers were proven guilty of such acts on the job.

Disorganization, lack of supervision, failure to schedule the work properly and above all the lack of union organization and hence lack of labor-management committees are responsible for conditions exposed, Flynn said.

READY TO COOPERATE

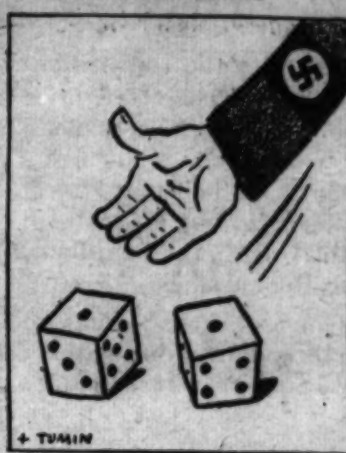
He said the union held discipline to be in the first place a management responsibility and that where this responsibility was met the union would guarantee cooperation.

Later, Sidney K. Cartwright, Field Service Port of N. Y. manager, confirmed that cooperation with inspectors was better at long established yards.

At Cardinal, one inspector found there were 400 to 500 workers on a ship repair job that required only about half from March 15 to 21, and there was "idleness, loafing and horseplay," Cartwright said.

Under questioning by Capozzoli, Cartwright said he considered the scheduled layoff of inspectors a "very bad mistake."

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Painters to Have Postwar Boards

WASHINGTON, May 26.—The setting up of joint employer-union trade boards in each region to advance a postwar program in the painting industry, was one of the decisions reached in the conference of representatives of painting contractors and the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators.

Representatives of outstanding associations of painting firms and leaders of the Brotherhood headed by its president, Lawrence Lindelof, attended the meeting. This was the first such conference in the building trades field.

The entire list of questions on the agenda was guided by the theses that employment opportunities would not slump and joint industry-labor efforts could advance a market for painting.

Pay-Off Lines At Brewster

Thousands lined up at the Brewster Aeronautical Corp. yesterday to get paid off as the threat of a permanent lay-off, due to cancellation of Navy orders, continued to hang overhead.

There were rumors aplenty about the future, but none were confirmed. One said the company's five Long Island City plants might get contracts for production of parts, permitting employment of 5,000, otherwise due for dismissal.

Meanwhile, nearby, in an old Brewster building at 27-01 Bridge Plaza, 1,100 employees of B. & H. Aircraft Corp. were said to have been locked out after a layoff of 14 leaders of Local 795, CIO United Auto Workers.

This layoff followed a dispute with a foreman which led to an unauthorized inside stoppage, it was learned. When a U. S. conciliator was unable to settle the grievance, management followed its weekly payoff by locking out the night shift, union leaders said.

B. & H. production of vital replacement parts is interrupted by the lockout, unionists reported.

Girl Remanded To B'klyn SPCC

Madeline Kirkland, 11, of 550 W. 146th St., was yesterday remanded by Justice Jane Bollin in Childrens Court to the Brooklyn Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. The grand jury last week refused to indict the girl for the murder of 9-year-old Margaret Patton in Public School 119 on May 9. The case will be disposed of by Justice Bollin on Monday.

Exploiting a number of current strikes, president Charles E. Wilson of General Motors (not to be confused with the president of General Electric), in a St. Louis speech yesterday, set the tone for a drive to have "unions and union leaders converted."

There was no doubt that the GM head wants a union-baiting drive. His sweeping statements were not limited to just those few in labor ranks who are violating the no-strike pledge.

He denounced the "rank and file of union members" who, he charged, have "lost respect for all authority, including that of their own labor leaders."

This expression of Wilson's chimed in perfectly with similar ones from Trotskyites, Norman Thomas Socialists and Lewisites, who are the very ones responsible in promoting strikes in his and other auto plants.

Mr. Wilson was addressing a Chamber of Commerce meeting, touching on problems of conversion to peacetime production. Picturing the few strikes as an expression of labor's attitude, Wilson said it was a "bad omen" for postwar conversion and put the problem as one of "converting" the labor movement before postwar economic readjustments can take place.

"We think it is high time that unions and union leaders were converted," he said.

Wilson ignored the special meeting of the general executive board of the United Automobile Workers Wednesday, at which 15 officials of a local were removed for violating the no-strike pledge.

In the meantime strikes in a number of places are continuing and supplying Wilson's circle with the ammunition they want.

The most serious involves 32,000 lumber workers in Washington, Oregon and Idaho, cutting the nation's lumber supply by a third. The strike continues to spread as loggers keep leaving the woods in protest against the War Labor Board's adverse decision on wage demands.

DETROIT STRIKE

More than 1,000 bakery drivers were still out in Detroit, affecting bread supply for most of the city's population. The drivers seek support of 5,000 inside workers, in an effort to get action on wage demands that have been pending since December, 1942.

The strike of Parke Davis & Co. workers, also in Detroit, was in its fourth day as the deadlock on wage demands continued. In the meantime the processing of blood plasma and penicillin manufacture has been affected.

St. Louis emerged from a power tie-up scare, but not before a day's curtailment, as the AFL's Operating Engineers called a walkout of Union Electric Co. workers. Intervention by Army authorities settled the grievance. In the meantime 900 industrial firms had been ordered to cut power use.

At Muncie, Ind., 2,000 workers of the Ball Brothers plant continued on strike despite an appeal of the Army. They, too, are protesting a WLB decision.

At East St. Louis some 600 AFL refinery workers voted to strike the Socony Vacuum Oil Co. plants.

In practically all cases the workers show impatience with slowness of the War Labor Board or with a wage policy that disregards the realities in the cost of living.

Name Democratic Keynoter June 15

CHICAGO, May 26 (UP).—The committee on arrangements for the Democratic national convention will meet here June 15 to pick a keynoter and temporary chairman, Ambrose O'Connell, vice-chairman of the party's national committee, announced today.

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Victories in Italy

THE first battles of the new phase in the Italian campaign have come to their climax with striking victories for our side. The 60-mile advance in two short weeks along the western coast of Italy is a splendid tribute to our fighting men, to their excellent equipment, to their able leadership. It is a tribute also to our allies, fighting side by side with us: the French, the Poles, the British, the Canadians, and certainly not the least—our Italian allies.

For the first time, the Italian partisans, holding up six German divisions in the north and wrecking Hitler's communications, are now functioning in direct contact with the Allied High Command.

The junction of our Fifth Army with the men from the Anzio beachhead is itself the most dramatic confirmation that the winter-long stalemate in southern Italy is really broken. The westerly road to Rome, the Appian Way, is now in our hands. If we can push ahead along the central road, the Via Casilina, the battle for Rome itself will be under way very shortly.

Such a great military achievement is all the more important if we see its relation to the military tasks still ahead. For as Gen. Harold Alexander declared when the general offensive began, the Italian fighting is only a prelude to the coming operations from the south, the east and the west on the continent proper.

Hitler's inability to hold out against a determined attack, even in favorable terrain, shows that he will not be able to hold against overwhelming assault with our much larger forces in France. And while the Italian partisans, inspired by the new Italian government, do heroic things in the north—in Europe proper great guerilla assistance to the Allies can be expected.

None of this, however, is accomplished easily. We do not know the cost in Italy, but we can be certain that the cost will be far heavier in France. The defeatists, who prey upon such things to confuse our people, are preparing to make the most of it in the weeks to come. To frustrate such treacherous activity, the whole people must be galvanized with the consciousness of the great stakes in the coming heavy battles.

Full production, no strikes whatsoever is today more than ever labor's contribution to its own and the national interest.

National unity, subordinating all partisan considerations, all distractions of the election campaign to the needs of the war's climax must be the watchword of every American.

Full support to the Commander-in-Chief and his policies, the rejection of any candidate who divides instead of uniting the nation, is the home front's order of the day. Our boys in Italy have shown their mettle. Let us be worthy of them.

A Shocking Failure

NOT so long ago Mayor LaGuardia said he was proud that New York City is a model of "good neighbor relations."

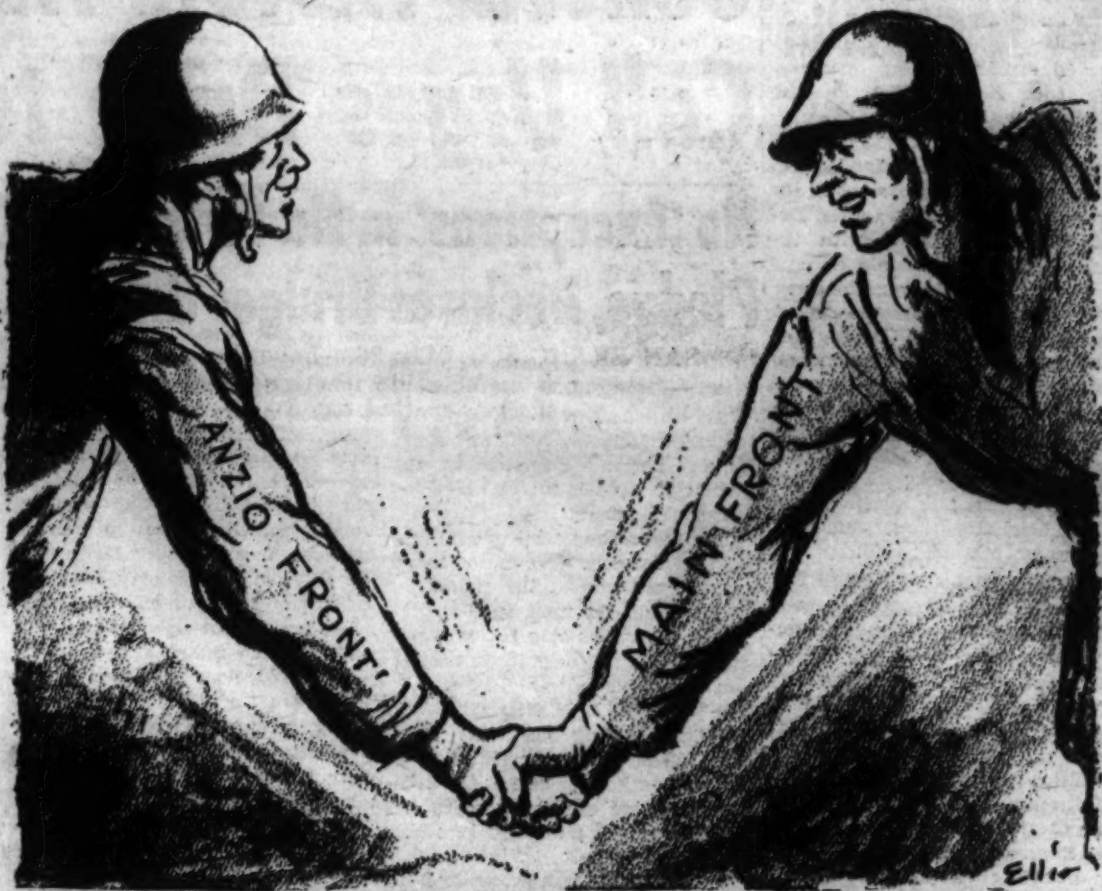
We too are proud of the general attitude of hostility toward race discrimination among New York's citizens, an attitude that recently received expression in the virtually unanimous decision of the City Council to bar all aid to Jim Crow housing.

All the more shocking, then, is the failure of the Board of Estimate to approve this Council measure.

That failure was a slap at the democracy-loving citizens of New York and a reflection on our city. Should the Board persist, it would be making a major concession to Jim Crow at a time when the struggle against all forms of discrimination is an inseparable part of the fight for victory against fascism in the war and in the peace to follow.

The measure can still be approved by the Board at its June 8 meeting.

We urge every reader to send letters, wires and delegations to Comptroller McGoldrick, who voted against the bill, and to Deputy Mayor McGahan and Richmond Borough President Palma, who did not vote, demanding that they support it. Council President Newbold Morris and the other four borough presidents should be commended for their favorable vote and urged to keep up the fight.



Between the Lines

Reactions to Churchill's Speech

by Joseph Starobin

THERE is always the temptation, after reading one of Winston Churchill's X-rays of the war to throw the book at the man. Instinctively we remember his long history—Ireland, India, the general strike of 1926, and all that. I can just hear some people I know saying: "Why the man is an arch-conservative!"—as though some profound, unique discovery had been made and as though such a description of Churchill settles his hash.



But for us, who wish to make history as well as to describe it, Churchill's speech last Wednesday is viewed differently. We remember always this arch-conservative, this Marlborough is the one British statesman who not only proposed to check the rise of German fascism by collective security, but he is also the man who sat down around the table and achieved a common platform with Roosevelt and Stalin. That is, with the world's first socialist country, and with our own country, Britain's great commercial rival.

Unlike others, we have this common platform uppermost in mind. We ask ourselves to what extent this common platform is being realized on concrete issues. We read the speech asking ourselves to what degree it affirms our estimate of the Tehran concord as a common platform not only for the war but the peace.

To say that Churchill is stubborn, irritating, conservative, imperialist says nothing important. His speech is like Big Ben over Parliament building. Musical, yes, if you care for music; but above all, giving you the exact Greenwich time.

Common Platform Is Decisive

The common platform is decisive. The single, most tremendous achievement of the Anglo-Soviet-American coalition is that it establishes a common platform for the war and the peace. Such a platform is not only a

banner for embattled peoples; it is the guarantee that all the inner issues within the coalition can be settled harmoniously; all differences can be reconciled without serious conflict.

The inner issues of the coalition and their conflict must never be confused with the conflict of the entire coalition against the common enemy. If that were so, the coalition would fall apart and the enemy would not be defeated in fact.

But a speech like Churchill's is so illuminating precisely because it tells us a great deal (not everything, of course, since it is only the British view) of the way in which the inner issues of the coalition are being resolved. If I may switch the metaphor, Churchill's speech is a fluoroscope that gives insight into the vital processes of the grand alliance.

Tenacity and Resiliency

Dealing with British policy, however, we are always struck with its tenacity and resiliency. It is like a glue which sticks, but also gives. On some issues, British policy adjusts itself to realities—and always with a characteristic flourish of which Churchill is the master. On other issues, it still tries to avoid realities; on still others it believes it has the power to refuse to budge. Everyone knows, and the Feb. 22 speech will tell you that British policy in Italy consisted of juggling the monarchy and the democratic forces while preventing or delaying their unity. Churchill very amusingly claims credit for the new unity; very

well, we appreciate the sheer poesy, but register the basic advance which has been made, and provides the basis for further advance. On Yugoslavia, Churchill is all-out for Marshal Tito as military leader, which is of course decisive. He drops Mikhallovitch gently. Even there, he dawdles with the notion of Mikhallovitch as a "local leader in Serbia," though elsewhere he admits that thousands of Serbs are fighting with Tito and that Tito's program in no way challenges Serb religion or property customs.

On France, the immediate questions are at least being solved, and they are most important; as for the future, Churchill wants freedom of action to see what we shall see. The British Foreign Office with its immense 400-year experience bargains, delays, invents new tasks for itself, but gives way—and makes a good face of it, too. This is a diplomacy of careful retreat, the diplomacy of expediency because the basic principles are being determined by more powerful forces. Two steps backward—one foot in the air. It is a diplomacy well-suited to a time when conciliation of interests is so important.

In our satisfaction over the progress so far made, however, we cannot ignore the implications of the two other aspects of Churchill's speech. One, his remarks about British policy toward Spain, and second, the absence of any comment on Anglo-American relations. His silence on this latter point spoke volumes. I shall discuss the inter-connection between the two in another column.

Worth Repeating

FELIX MONTIEL, former Communist deputy in Spanish Republican Cortes, in Prensa Continental, Havana, Cuba: The Madrid agreement, the Hoare-Franco pact, is a disaster for the United Nations. It goes against the Spanish people, and it goes against the world. The "errors" of the past caused immediate difficulties for one country, but in the long run they had repercussions in all countries. When the invasion armies are advancing, Spain's borders will not be a safety line. The Allied troops will have to protect a dangerously-exposed flank. Spain will be an enemy zone in the rear of the United Nations; it will constitute a permanent menace of a new Pearl Harbor.

NEW YORK TIMES, editorially criticizing Sen. Bridges and his Republican colleague who have staged their scandalous outcry about sending a cruiser to the USSR: The Russians have made magnificent use of the planes and tanks we sent them. It is our own belief that they will know how to use a cruiser.

Today's Guest Column

A Hemisphere Program on Which All Classes Can Unite

By Frederick V. Field

THE other day a friend of mine who is more alert to the changing world than most and who as far as I know is not connected with either of the organizations to which she referred, asked me: "Did you happen to notice that they're saying the same thing about Latin America these days at the Waldorf and at the Riverside Plaza?" It took me a couple of split seconds to realize that she was referring to the Conference of Commissions of Inter-American Development presided over by Nelson Rockefeller and the convention of the new Communist Political Association. Mr. Rockefeller's group being the one that met at the Park Avenue joint.



It happens that I had noticed a considerable amount of agreement in the remarks and resolutions presented at both gatherings, because it's my business to follow Latin American affairs closely. And that impression had been reinforced when on the same day one of my New Masses colleagues telephoned to ask me to write an introduction to an article on the need for industrialization in Latin America written by none other than a former president of the National Association of Manufacturers. Here was the NM running a piece by an NAM boss and the Communist convention seeing pretty much eye to eye with industrial and banking representatives from all the nations in the hemisphere. Two weeks ago, moreover, much the same policy with regard to Latin America had been voiced at

the ILO meeting in Philadelphia not only by Vicente Lombardo Toledano but by many government and employer delegates as well.

To my mind it is important to take note of this unity not in order to suggest that all the problems of the Good Neighbor Policy have been solved but to show that on such questions as future trade relationships between our powerful capitalist nation and the undeveloped republics to the south there is a coming together of minds.

WHILE the problem is one which cannot be fully solved until after the war, its discussion and steps toward its solution are by no means irrelevant at this time. To the degree that the meetings to which I have referred and others like them can solve some of the questions that today contribute to an atmosphere of mutual suspicion they make a positive contribution to the war itself.

The fact that diverse groups are now thinking along similar lines is no accident. It reflects the basic needs to which must be found broad common solutions. Latin America is undeveloped. The struggles for national independence and freedom which began in the early 19th century have not been completed. The monopoly of the latifundistas, supported by foreign imperialist capital, has not yet been sufficiently broken to permit full economic development. The war, and with it the threat of organized fascism in this hemisphere, has brought the issue to a head. Today the peasantry, labor and the growing bourgeoisie are

beginning to agree on the need for rapid economic progress. They recognize the need to break down the medieval structure of the latifundistas, to end the system of imperialist exploitation, to industrialize, and to support the development of free and democratic unions.

None of this implies a severance of relations with the great capitalist powers. On the contrary it demands even closer relations to obtain the gigantic credits for the industrial equipment they must have. The new factors called for today are plans, organization and controls to govern the importation of capital.

THE requirements of American capitalism dovetail into those of Latin American. A basic postwar problem of the United States will be to maintain the full productive capacity of its industrial plant. That will call for opening up vast new foreign markets in co-operation with the other industrialized countries of the world. Latin America must become one of those markets, and it will do so provided we recognize the need of those nations to industrialize and drastically to raise the standard of living of their people.

The spokesmen at the Conference of Commissions of Inter-American Development and at the Convention of the Communist Political Association put forward a program such as I have indicated above. If the similarity of opinion that was advanced at the Waldorf Astoria and at the Riverside Plaza is indicative of the trend of American thought on this matter—and I believe it is—it is evident that a progressive hemisphere program is being worked out on a broad unity basis.

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Tribune Wants Traitors Freed

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

What will America do about the Copperhead edition of the Chicago Tribune? This putrid paper of Col. McCormick gets worse and worse. Not only does it give accounts of the trial which outrageously favor its friend, Mrs. Dilling, and the rest of the defendants. Right in the middle of the trial it runs an editorial attacking the trial of the French traitors by the French Committee of National Liberation. Why it does this is of course clear. It wants to show that it favors acquittal of all seditionists.

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F. F. T.

Inspiring Poetry

New York City.

Editor, Daily Worker:

First, I wish to express my delight with the new Daily Worker, and my thanks to everyone who had a hand in its renaissance. May the circulation increase as has its beauty and interest.

Secondly, I thought you and your readers might be interested in the following lines. I simply cannot stand the suspense any longer! And I won't be the least bit disappointed if the event should occur coincident with your receipt of the following:

"D" DAY

The papers are full of "D" Day, The radio blares "Invasion"— Hurry, hurry please, we say, We need no more persuasion! We hollered "Second Front" in '42 Until our throats were sore, Kept up the cry in '43 "Attack will bring quick victory" But now we roar in '44 Invasion now will end this war!

S. R. C.

Our 'Coming of Age'

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The new Daily is swell. It is a paper that every class-conscious worker can be proud of. As a whole, the paper reveals maturity and a coming of age that is inspiring. It is reassuring to know that our Daily is measuring up to the tasks of the day and is preparing to play an even greater role in the immediate future. What impressed me most was the heading of the letter section. It reveals an attitude of responsibility to its readers that I have never seen in any other paper.

HARRY LERNER

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the broadest discussion, please limit letters to 200 words.

Views On Labor News

EVERY time PM's editors find it necessary to explain its double-dealing contents to indignant readers, they fall back on "independence." Under that heading, according to three columns-full by John P. Lewis Thursday, all sins could be committed with impunity. Lewis begs us to allow for deficiencies because PM is "an independent newspaper without any restrictions but our consciences."



Perhaps that is the trouble. Its staff, loaded with Trotskyites and other renegades whose hatred for communism has become a mania, PM "conscience" must be peculiarly "restricted."

Mr. Lewis' three columns of "explanation" are directed against a story we carried in our issue of Thursday, May 18, under the heading "Is PM Carrying the Torch for Dies Against Bridges?" A day before PM had featured a story that rated a front page headline. It "exposed" Harry Bridges for refusing to join with the Trotskyite-Socialist ringleaders in the Chicago Montgomery Ward local for a general strike of the mail order house branches in a number of cities. The author of that piece was PM's chief specialist in anti-Communist sniping, James Wechsler.

WE ASKED PM to explain how the story squares with its professed claim to be in favor of the no-strike pledge; whether

by George Morris

red-baiting is more important than observance of the pledge. We also noted that PM sides with the Trotskyites who provoke strikes in line with their objective of disrupting the war. Furthermore, we observed that PM takes up the cudgels for Samuel Wolchok, head of the Retail and Wholesale Union and the only Dubinsky agent in the CIO. It is the Trotskyites and Socialists under Wolchok's wing who have been caught red-handed in Detroit in the most ambitious strike provocation of this war. They pulled the "soda-pop" stoppages.

Apparently PM's readers agree with us for Lewis prints a chain of indignant letters.

That this wasn't just the "independent conscience" of Wechsler was proven in a subsequent issue of PM when it ran a long editorial to develop the thesis that certain strikes could be justified. The Ward strike was put in that category. From that we must conclude that Bridges, too, should have struck.

But it isn't PM's travel in a pro-strike direction that concerns us so much here, as its brazen effort to put the stamp of "facts" on Wechsler's bare-faced untruths, to give the impression that they have support from Philip Murray. We nailed Wechsler's assertion that Murray was backing the Montgomery Ward strike as an untruth. What is more, we pointed out that neither the national, state or Chicago CIO supported the strike. All CIO unions did unite for a CIO victory in the Montgomery Ward election which came long

PM 'Explains' to Its Indignant Readers

after the strike. But this was something else. The issue here was defeat of Avery and support of the President.

LEWIS again repeats Wechsler's fabrication about Murray as though it was the truth and adds that "the only issue they (meaning us and the letter writers) dispute with PM is not the truth of what we reported, but our decision to print facts that are uncomfortable for them to read." It would be "uncomfortable" to read "facts" of Murray supporting a strike on the very day he spoke before the steel convention and unequivocally warned against strikes. But, unfortunately for Lewis and Wechsler, these aren't "facts." They have not brought an iota of proof.

Lewis is trying to sell his protesting readers a phony bill of goods. We challenge PM on a number of counts—its double-dealing on the no-strike pledge, its untruths, its Dies-like pickup of anti-Bridges sniping and finally, on its so-called "independence."

How could a newspaper be regarded as independent on labor coverage if its reporters in that field are renegades from communism? If we take into account the fact that PM's first labor editor was fired because he refused to let red-baiting guide his conscience and that the Wechslers have dominated its labor reportage since then, we must come to the conclusion that a PM want ad for a labor reporter requires he "must be one who hates Communists, preferably one who has been expelled."

Facts for Victory

By Labor Research Association

Everyone wants full employment after the war.

The Committee for Economic Development, business planning organization, thinks we can have it if certain "free enterprise" policies are pursued. Labor insists that even if "free enterprise" may be limited in certain respects, nothing less than full employment will satisfy the American people. For they have witnessed the miracles performed by an industrial machine flooded with war orders. Government economists also look forward to "remarkably full" employment in a "typical postwar year."

It is generally admitted that we have full employment now; in fact, we could use more workers than we have available, at least in certain plants producing strategic military supplies.

At the same time the impact of

war has sent our national income totals to heights not previously achieved. The goal of all who want to further democracy and secure peace after the war, both within the country and between nations, is a national income that will be up to present levels.

What are those levels? Well, the figures of the U. S. Department of Commerce show that in 1943 we reached a national income of 147.9 billion dollars, or over double the amount estimated for the pre-war year 1939 when it was only 70.8 billion dollars. The rise since then has been gradual but steady: 77.6 billion in 1940, 96.9 billion in 1941, 121.6 billion in 1942 and 147.9 billion last year.

This year the total is expected to run to 150 billion dollars or over.

NATIONAL GROSS PRODUCT

A little more difficult to grasp, but also useful as a gauge of the whole economy, are the figures on what the Department of Commerce calls "national gross prod-

uct." This, as we pointed out in our Economic Notes last month, is a figure made up of the value of the currently produced commodities and services flowing to the government to business for gross capital purposes, and to consumers.

This over-all measure of the total production of our economy reached 186.5 billion dollars last year. For previous years the total was as follows (in billions): \$152.1 in 1942; \$119.6 in 1941; \$97.1 in 1940 and \$88.6 in 1939. It rose, therefore, since the pre-war year 1939 by 110 percent.

This increase was largely the result of our tremendous war expenditures. In fact government economists estimate the war took about 44 percent of this entire gross national product last year compared with 11 percent in 1941 and only 2 percent in 1939.

It is from this astronomical figure—\$186.5 billion—that the national income of \$147.9 was "generated," as the government economists express it. For the na-

National Income And Jobs for All

tional income is a net figure which includes total salaries and wages, the net income of proprietors, interest and net rent, as well as corporate net profits.

"INCOME PAID OUT"

Slightly lower than the figure for national income is the one you frequently see in the papers since the government reports on it every month, the figure called "national income payments" or "income paid out." This reached the record figure of \$142.3 billion last year, a rise of more than 100 percent since pre-war.

The income payments figure is arrived at by deducting from national income the undistributed corporate profits which are not paid out in dividends to stockholders, and by adding figures for pensions and net social security and relief payments.

The purpose of all postwar plans now being discussed is to keep these "income payments" figures up to wartime levels and to keep the unemployment figures as close to zero as possible.

British Labor Report Asks Quick Trials for War Crimes

LONDON, May 26 (ALN).—The British Labor Party will break a long-established precedent if its annual conference adopts resolutions favoring cooperation with Liberal, Commonwealth, Communist and Independent Labor parties which are pouring in upon it from all sides.

Local branches of the Labor Party have proposed a progressive electoral coalition to prevent a Tory triumph in the next general election. The conference has been postponed from the original date, May 29 allegedly because of travel difficulties, but preparations continue none the less.

Dominating the conference will be the issue of the electoral truce whereby any vacated parliamentary seat is filled by a member of the party that previously held it. Thirty-eight resolutions call for ending the truce, which at present is supported by the party executive.

An international policy resolution, proposed by the Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, states: "We welcome the decisions of the Teheran conference and record our determination to continue the fight until the complete surrender of Germany, Japan and all their satellites has been achieved."

"Those responsible for atrocities committed during the war, irrespective of rank or position, must be brought to justice and punished according to their share of responsibility. One of the first tasks of the political labor movement must be the restoration of democratically-elected governments in all occupied countries and enemy countries."

INDIA DEADLOCK

Heading a long list of resolutions demanding an end to the political deadlock in India is that of the National Union of Railwaymen, which asserts that "the granting of freedom to the people of India and establishing of an independent Indian national government will be a decisive factor in the fight against fascism and toward the unification of all anti-fascist forces. The conference supports this desire of the Indian people which is in conformity with the spirit of the Atlantic Charter."

The Labor party's annual report, to be presented to the conference, demands the total disarmament of Germany and Japan after the war. It states: "A purely civilian police backed by the armies of occupation must keep order, and the power of the German military caste as well as German Junkers and heavy industrialists must be destroyed. Similarly with Japan. Some form of international control of German and Japanese economic and financial system, including heavy industry, must be evolved by the United Nations at least for a period of years."

A statement on war criminals declares: "As far as possible these must be handed over, but a series of long judicial trials must be avoided. The Moscow conference decision to send back criminals to the scene of their crimes to be judged there is to be welcomed."

The report favors reparation deliveries in kind and reparation by German labor of devastated territories.

To Broadcast Story Of Greek Guerrillas

The story of the Greek guerrillas and the true facts of the mutiny of the Greek army and navy will be told by the Newspaper Guild of New York over Station WLIB on its weekly program "The News and What to Do About It" at 11:30 a.m. tomorrow (Sunday).

Basil Viavances, editor and publisher of the Greek Daily National Herald, will be interviewed and Nicolai Moscoliva, basso of the Metropolitan opera, will sing the song of the Greek guerrillas.



HARRY POLLITT

British CP Raps Labor Party Lag

LONDON, May 26—Declaring that the postponed British Labor Party conference could still be held "without imposing any strain on transport resources," Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of the Communist Party, called the shelved parley a "sign of political deadness at the headquarters of the Labor Party."

Reason given by the national executive committee of the Labor Party on May 16 for the postponement of their annual convention, was the curtailment of railway passenger traffic.

Saying that Munichites and die-hard reactionaries still constitute a dangerous threat to the country, Pollitt maintained in the May 10 issue of the London Daily Worker that "the Labor Party conference could have rallied the nation to face the problems and trials of the Second Front; it could have called a halt to the provocation of the employers; it could have prepared the solution of the grave problems of peace."

Labor leaders have the responsibility to ensure that at the next election there will only be one common candidate against the reactionaries. And the Labor Party's conference could have worked out agreements "on how to best assist the Second front to success, defend the conditions of the workers... expose the political maneuvers of the fifth column," said Pollitt.

The time is not too late, declared the Communist leader, for leaders of all labor organizations to pool resources and "discuss the situation."

What Does Churchill Say of Duff Cooper?

We wonder what Alfred Duff Cooper, the British minister to North Africa, thought about Winston Churchill's high praise for Gen. Franco on Wednesday... because, according to a newly-arrived issue of Liberte, the French Communist newspaper, Duff Cooper sent a long and handsome greeting to a celebration in Algiers of the Spanish Republic's anniversary, on April 18.

The rally in Algiers united the progressive French and Spanish Republican colony, in homage to the 13th anniversary of the Republic. Isn't Duff Cooper toing the Churchill line? Does Franco know about the Algiers greeting to the Republicans? What goes on here?

Hull Reassures On Air Talks

WASHINGTON, May 26 (UP).—Secretary of State Cordell Hull, in response to a joint request from the Senate Commerce Committee and its aviation subcommittee, has given formal assurance that this government made no commitments during the recent Anglo-American postwar aviation talks, it was disclosed today.

Hull reiterated that Assistant Secretary Adolf A. Berle's recent talks with Lord Beaverbrook were purely "exploratory" and that no commitments were made.

Administration officials, meanwhile, prepared to begin aviation talks with a Soviet delegation newly arrived here.

One of the big questions that will be raised, it was said, was whether the Soviet Union desires to participate widely in international aviation or prefers to devote its time in the immediate postwar period to building up internal services.

Discussions with a Chinese delegation have been going on for nearly a week. The ultimate aim is to build toward an international conference by year end.

British Youth Leader Is Killed in Action

Capt. Michael Blair Wallace, outstanding British youth leader has been killed in action, AP reported from London Thursday.

Wallace was former treasurer of the World Youth Congress movement. He attended the international youth gathering at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, New York.

WHAT'S ON

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Pole Exile Gov't Probes Minister as 'Pro-Soviet'

LONDON, May 26.—Further evidence of the crisis in the Polish government-in-exile came today when a special commission was set up here to investigate "charges" that Minister of Interior Wladislaw Banaczuk had been in direct communication with the Soviet government in an attempt to improve Soviet-Polish relations.

The "accusation" was made by Thaddeus Modelski, chief of the Political Security Department—Junior Gestapo of the emigre government's Ministry of Interior.

Banaczuk belongs to the Peasant Party, as does the premier of the exile government, Stanislaus Mikolajczyk.

The Modelski-Banaczuk feud has been going on for several years, and bids fair to become the cause of a major split between Peasant Party and other parties represented in the London government.

Evidence of the importance of this incident is that Premier Mikolajczyk called an extraordinary session of the Cabinet to set up the investigating commission, made up of Karol Popiel, Christian Democratic Laborite minister of civil administration; Wladaw Komarnicki, Nationalist minister of justice, and Jan Kwapiński, Socialist deputy prime minister.

Modelski said Banaczuk had been in touch with Soviet authorities through David Lapter, Polish editor of the anti-exile government newspaper in London, Unity and Action.

Establishment of the investigating commission highlights the spying tactics with which the emigre government is infested.

Last week Stefan Litauer was forced to hand in his resignation as chief of the Polish Telegraphic Agency because of his alleged Soviet sympathies.

Thursday the Daily Worker reported that leaders of the exile government's underground fighting forces are participating in a conference in Moscow with Polish National Council representatives.

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FDR Calls Allied Currency Parley

WASHINGTON, May 26 (UP).—President Roosevelt has called an international monetary conference at Bretton Woods, N. Y., beginning July 1, and has invited 43 united and associated nations to send delegations, the White House disclosed today.

The conference is "for the purpose of discussing proposals to meet postwar international problems" and all agreements will be submitted to the respective governments for approval.

Treasury officials reported that the proposed \$8,000,000,000 international stabilization fund, designed to assure postwar monetary stability throughout the world, will be the major topic of the agenda.

It had been hoped to take up plans for a world bank capitalized at around \$100,000,000,000 for postwar reconstruction and development, but preliminary conversions are not yet sufficiently advanced.

Bolivia, represented at the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation meeting at Atlantic City, was the only member of the United Nations not invited. Argentina was also omitted, as were Spain, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey.

A nine-member executive committee will include representatives of each of the five nations having the largest quotas in the fund—the United States, Britain, the Soviet Union and two other nations not yet announced.

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'Irgun' Leaders Here Front For Hoover-Hearst Plans

By ABRAHAM CHAPMAN

A group of adventurers has purchased the former Iranian Embassy and transformed it into a "Hebrew Embassy." They are now demanding representation in the councils of the United Nations in behalf of the Jews in Palestine and the occupied countries.

The gentlemen who have launched this project operate now under the trade name of the "Hebrew Committee for National Liberation." The high sounding name is new but the operators of this racket are old hands at peddling confusion. The committee is headed by Peter Bergson and S. Merlin, who came to the United States three years ago as an official delegation from the Irgun. The Irgun is the secret, revisionist, military organization in Palestine, now engaged in a war of terror against British officials, British government buildings and Jewish labor leaders. Over 100 of its members have been arrested in Palestine.

FIRST COMMITTEE

The Bergson-Merlin delegation organized a series of committees appealing to the American people to help the persecuted Jews. Their first venture was the Committee for a Jewish Army of Stateless and Palestinian Jews. The first chairman of that committee, Pierre van Passen, withdrew some time ago with a blistering attack on the antics of the Irgun delegation.

Next they formed the committee on the Moral Rights of Stateless and Palestinian Jews. Here Herbert Hoover made his appearance as a sponsor of the Irgun group, an alliance which has broadened out and persists to this day.

The most ambitious venture of the Irgun gang was the organization of the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe. At this stage of their work they showed their close working relationship with defeatists.

Honorary chairmen of this committee are Herbert Hoover, William Randolph Hearst and Harrison E. Spangler.

The Emergency Committee placed full-page advertisements in the press criticizing the Moscow conference. They have consistently attacked the British government in language used only against an enemy. They have assailed the United States government and the Roosevelt Administration, on the question of rescuing refugees, in the severest terms.

Recently they took a slap at the President's War Refugee Board with an appeal to the Soviet government to exchange Hungarian war prisoners for Hungarian Jews, thus attempting to split the United Nations.

Shortly after the Emergency Committee made this demand it was echoed approvingly in the pro-Nazi Deutscher Zeitung in Budapest.

The Irgunist leaders of the Emergency Committee are merely a Trojan horse for the Hearst-Hoover defeatists.

The new committee has been assailed by every leading Jewish organization in the United States. Senator Robert Wagner, William Green, AFL president and Max Zaritsky, Hat, Cap, and Millinery Union president, who sponsored some of the past committees of the Bergson-Merlin axis, have completely dissociated themselves from the new committee and its organizers. In addition to the Hebrew Committee for National Liberation, they have formed the American League for a Free Palestine, an organization which is to support the Hebrew Embassy and its demands.

All of Irgun-inspired activities were aimed at dividing the American Jews. They would prevent united efforts to rescue Jews as a result of hastening the winning of the war. They refuse to support the agencies set up by the U. S. Government and the governments

of the United Nations to rescue Jews.

The Irgun delegation has received support not only from the Hoover-Hearst Republicans but from the Social-Democratic clique which has organized the new Liberal Party. Dean Alfange, the darling of the Liberal Party, has been the closest associate of the Irgun adventurers as co-chairman of the Emergency Committee. He has been the mouthpiece of the Emergency Committee, voicing the attacks against the Roosevelt Administration and the Soviet Government.

On Jan. 26, the Emergency Committee tendered a testimonial dinner to Dean Alfange at which Peter Bergson was a main speaker. At this dinner Nathan Chavin, the

professional anti-Sovieteer who is a dominant figure in the Social Democratic Federation, was at the speakers' table.

While Senator Wagner, William Green, Max Zaritsky and many others have joined the rising protest against the machinations of the Irgun gang and its new committee, Dean Alfange and the Liberal Party have been singularly silent. Together with Hearst and Hoover, Dean Alfange and the Liberal Party continue to work with the Emergency Committee.

FDR Gets Complete Physical Check-up

WASHINGTON, May 26 (UP).—President Roosevelt underwent a complete physical examination today at the Naval Medical Center. His physician, Vice Admiral Ross T. McIntire, was in charge of the check-up.

CPA Elects Board of 13

The National Committee of the Communist Political Association held its first meeting in New York City on May 23, it was announced yesterday. In accordance with Article VII, Section 8, of the CPA Constitution,

it elected a National Board composed of Earl Browder, Morris Childs, Benjamin J. Davis, Jr., Eugene Dennis, Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, James W. Ford, William Z. Foster, Gilbert Green, Roy Hudson, Robert Minor, William Schneiderman, Robert Thompson and John Williamson.

The National Committee also adopted a motion whose "resolves" read as follows:

"RESOLVED that all state and district assemblies whose delegates voted for and participated in the organization convention of the Communist Political Association be, and they hereby are, authorized upon ratification and endorsement of the action of their delegates and the acceptance of the Constitution of the Communist Political Association and its program of action as determined at its organizational convention to constitute themselves and to become State or District Conventions of the Communist Political Association with full power and authority to adopt a constitution and by-laws for the state or district organization of the association and to elect officers and committees, in accordance with and pursuant to the constitution of the association; and be it further

"Resolved that each state and district organization of the Communist Political Association be, and hereby is, authorized to grant charters in the said association to all clubs, represented by delegates to their several conventions, and to grant charters to any clubs of the association that may hereafter be organized in the territory of their jurisdiction and to define and determine the local jurisdiction of each of such clubs."

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In This CORNER

Al Javery Proves That Talent Will Out,
Even With the Braves

By Bill Mardo

Until Thursday, Boston was widely known as the city of baked beans.

No more. Any town that can do what Boston did two days ago deserves a new name. I dunno, maybe the sun was shining, maybe the Braves were in a big mood, maybe the fans propositioned the Pirates. But whatever it was, Al Javery, he of the strong heart and unflinching will to win, finally was presented with a ball game.

His first of the season, mind you. And that proves something: persistence will not go unrecognized.

Nine times this semester has the Massachusetts righthander gone to the well, and on many occasions he has twirled right well. (Let your eyes linger over that last sentence, and it will smite you with stunning impact!)

On with our phable. Yes, that Javery lad did all of the things that ordinarily make for winning games. But until Thursday, he never walked off the mound with anything else but a wet glove packed away in his hip pocket. 'Twas enough to break a mere mortal's heart, but not our Albert's. For a long time ago, somebody whispered into his ear, "Son, you pitch enough good ball games, and someday they'll let you keep a couple for yourself."

Stiff-jawed Javery did just that, and on Thursday he chucked himself a three-hitter which nobody, even the eight guys behind him, had the heart to ignore. Who knows, that win may very well turn out to be the straw that broke the camel's back. Don't be surprised if our Albert grabs those Brave donkeys by the tail and makes them repeat for him more than a few times ere this season lets out.

Javery has a long record of steady improvement. Each year with the Braves has seen him improve upon his previous season's record. In his initial debut with the Bostoners, the control artist won two and lost four. His control was a little off. In '41, 10-11. Much better. The following year, 12-16. See what I mean? Last season, our Alva William Javery upped the ante to 17-18.

If, at this stage of the game, with a mark of 1-8, Javery can top his last year's figures, we're in for some fine and fancy tossin'.

Should Alva William J. spend the next ten years with Boston, and continue to boost his average, he's gonna bring home that pennant all by himself.

And then those sneering cynics will no longer crack: "You from the Hub, huh?"

A Bit of Disa and Data

The Yankees are on the road, as you know, but their parking lot in the Bronx will be adequately occupied this Sunday by the New York Cubans and Philadelphia Stars, of the Negro National League. In the opener to the twin bill, the fast-flying Cubans will send Dave "Impo" Barnhill to the mound. No need to repeat what we think of Mr. Barnhill. . . . Come out to the Stadium, and see yourself a couple of allright games. . . .

In lieu of Mr. Low's absence, we're privileged to announce a new addition to our sports staff. Today's page carries a sparkling story about the Yanks, written by a veteran baseball reporter who's been travelling with the clubs for many years. . . . Art Rider is the name . . . get used to it, because you're gonna hear a lot from him.

RAF soccer stars from Ontario will take their bow at Starlight Park on Decoration Day, opposed by an all-star squad composed from the four local American Soccer League squads. The fliers will arrive in New York on Monday, when they'll be feted by sports scribes at a luncheon in their honor.

Ersatz Bronx Bombers Lack Old-Time Murderer's Row

By ART RIDER

CHICAGO, May 26.—Don't let the league standings fool you. Yes, it's the Yankees leading the American League—but not THE Yankees. They may be mighty enough to crush all opposition and roll on to the

club's eighth pennant in nine years, but they haven't the muscle to continue one of the most glorious Yank traditions: homer hitting. Despite their winning pace, the Yanks apparently will fail to hit a hundred homers for the first time in 20 years!

Like any other business, baseball has lost most of its best men to the fighting forces . . . and the Yanks had the best men to lose. Even the best farm systems don't grow 4F replacements for sluggers like Joe DiMaggio, Charley Keller, Bill Dickey and Joe Gordon. Those stars murmured "Slump" whenever they failed to bag at least 20 homers a season.

The record-making Century streak, inaugurated in 1925 by such classic clouters as Babe Ruth, Bob Meusel and Lou Gehrig, lived on through a proud heritage of long-ball hitters like Tony Lazzeri, George Selkirk, Tommy Henrich and the aforementioned servicemen. Even Babe Dahlgren, in his two full campaigns with the Bronx Bombers, blasted 27 homers.

By contrast, the present club, which has hit only 16 homers in 27 games (a pace which will mean

91 round-trippers this season), is paced by Bud Metheny, who hit only nine homers in his freshman year of 1943. Right behind Bud are Johnny Lindell, who hit only four four-masters in his lone full season with the club; Nick Etten, who has collected only 30 homers in five previous seasons in the big leagues; and Ed Levy, a spasmodic clouter who, by his own admission, probably won't play more than 100 games this year.

To make the homer picture dimmer, both Lindell and Etten are 1A, the former momentarily expecting a Navy call.

But if idolizing old-timers are complaining, the fans aren't. The Yanks are doing better than all right at the gate, having smashed the season attendance record last Sunday at home and drawing the customers in the hinterlands with the lure of old.

If the crowds fall off on their next home stay, it will mean only that they can't get out to the park afternoons, and that may make president Ed Barrow relent his anti-arc-light stand and possibly shift some Yankee games to the Polo Grounds in the evenings, to draw the war workers.

Flock Lose, 5-3; 2nd-Place Bucs Defeat Braves

The Dodgers, dropping a 5 to 3 game to the league leading Cards yesterday, are now just one and a half games out of last place. For Chicago's Cubs, battling fiercely, swamped the Blue Jay Phillies 9 to 1, making 14 hits behind Oom Paul Derringer, who is beginning to pitch for Charlie Grimm in his old steady style.

Meanwhile, the Pittsburgh Pirates snatched a close 7 to 5 win from Boston's Braves, who outbatted them 12 hits to 7. It was another triumph for Sewell, who came in as relief pitcher for Xavier Rescigno in the eighth.

The Reds and Cardinals criss-cross Brooklyn Bridge today, with Mort Cooper leading the Cards against Bill Voiselle for the Giants. The Reds, with Elmer Riddle scheduled to pitch, will show up at Ebbets Field this afternoon, facing Curt Davis for the Durochermen.

Both the Giants and aYnks played after-dark games last night.

Harder and Derringer Get 201st on Same Day

By an odd coincidence, both of the active 200-game winners in the majors—Paul Derringer and Mel Harder—scored their 201st victories on the same day, May 20.

It had been a long, hard pull for Derringer. Closing the 1943 season with 200 victories, he went through Chicago's first disastrous month of the current season with no victories and five defeats before he brought home the bacon in a 3 to 2 contest with the Braves.

Harder, who ran his total to 197 victories in 1943, has been more successful, registering his fourth victory, May 20, by blanking the A's, 5 to 0 with three hits.

Jitters Don't Help

Dodgers Crack After Durocher Lifts Olmo

By C. E. DEXTER

For six innings, the Dodgers and the Cardinals played a tight, fast game yesterday at Ebbets Field. The boys from Brooklyn really looked good. Frenchy Bordagaray and Dixie Walker banged out two hits apiece.

Gil English and Ed Basinski played classy ball around the infield. And English drove the Dodgers into a 3 to 2 lead with a homer into the left field stands with two men on base.

And then something happened. Howie Schultz let a grounder get away from him in the seventh. It set up an unearned run by Marty Marion, who had doubled. The Cards had tied the score.

There was still hope. Or would have been if Leo Durocher had not unsettled his own team in the last half of the seventh. Here's the picture:

With one gone, Gregg worked a walk from lean Al Jurisich, the rookie who had followed Lanier into the box. Bordagaray then dropped a single in centerfield, Hal pulling up at second. Little Augie Galan advanced the runners with an infield out.

It was Luis Olmo's turn at bat. The Puerto Rican, who started his major league career last year in a blaze of glory, and who was hitting well during the early weeks of this spring, let a strike sail by. Then he swung at an outside pitch—a bad ball—and fouled it off.

To everyone's amazement, Durocher pulled Luis out and substituted Paul Waner. Waner took three balls and one strike and sat down. The inning was over and with it the Dodgers' chance to win.

For in the eighth inning, the Dodgers cracked wide open. Errors by English and Gregg permitted two unearned Card runs to trickle over

the plate. Back of Olmo's removal from the game is a story of bawling out by Leo of the good-looking boy from the Caribbean. It is said that Leo objected to Olmo's straightaway hitting style and has tried to develop him into a pull hitter.

Yesterday, Olmo, who is a right-hand hitter, batted indifferently against lefty Lanier. And the so-called percentage frequently calls for the substitution of a left-hand hitter, like Paul Waner, for a right-hander, when a righthander pitcher such as Jurisich comes into the box.

But if Leo wanted to put Waner into the game, why didn't he use him as a pinch hitter before sending Olmo to bat?

Another indication of Leo's jittery nervousness over his team came in the ninth when he sent Lloyd Waner in to bat for Bobby Bragan. Bragan has been hitting well this spring. True, like Olmo, he whacks from the right side and Lloyd hits from the left. But nothing hurts a ballplayer more than lack of self-confidence.

GAMES TODAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE
St. Louis at New York (2:30 p.m.).
Cincinnati at Brooklyn (2:30 p.m.).
Chicago at Boston.
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia (night).
AMERICAN LEAGUE
New York at Chicago.
Philadelphia at Detroit.
Washington at Cleveland.
Boston at St. Louis.

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WMCA—570 Kc. WJZ—1080 Kc.
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WOR—710 Kc. WLIB—1190 Kc.
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WABC—880 Kc. WNY—1480 Kc.
WINS—1000 Kc. WQXR—1500 Kc.

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00—WEAF—Musical Round-up
WOR—News; Talk; Music
WJZ—On Stage, Everybody
WABC—Mother and Dad
11:05—WABC—Let's Pretend
11:30—WEAF—Lighted Windows
WOR—Hello Mom
WJZ—Land of the Lost
WABC—Fashions in Rations

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00—WEAF—News; Consumer Time
WOR—Hollywood Melodies
WJZ—Blue Playhouse
WABC—Theatre of Today
WQXR—Gardening for Victory—Dr. R. H. White-Stevens
12:15—WQXR—Luncheon Concert
12:25—WJZ—News; Farm-Home Hour
12:30—WEAF—Atlantic Spotlight
WOR—News; Juke Box
WABC—Stars Over Hollywood
12:55—WQXR—News; Midday Music
1:00—WEAF—Here's to Youth
WOR—Castle Orchestra
WJZ—Report From London
WABC—Grand Central Station
1:15—WJZ—Transatlantic Call, Quiz
WMCA—Health Talk
1:30—WEAF—To Be Announced
WOR—Lopes Orchestra
WJZ—Swing Shift Frolies
WABC—Country Journal
WMCA—Dale Belmont, Songs
1:45—WEAF—John MacVane, News
WMCA—This Is Our Town

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00—WEAF—Callicchio Orchestra
WOR—McIntire Orchestra
WJZ—Women in Blue
WABC—Of Men and Books
WMCA—News; Reviewers Corner
2:30—WEAF—Sports—Grantland Rice
WOR—News; Music
WJZ—Sherwood Orchestra
WABC—Pan-American Music
WMCA—Children's Bible Class
2:55—WQXR—News; Request Music
3:00—WEAF—Variety Musicale
WOR—This Is Halloran
WJZ—Language Quiz
WABC—Detroit Musicale
3:30—WEAF—Fuhrman Orchestra
WOR—Strong Orchestra
WJZ—Edie Condon Jazz Concert
WABC—Minstrel Show
WABC—Visiting Hour
WMCA—News Reports
3:45—WMCA—Front Page Drama
4:00—WEAF—To Be Announced
WOR—News Reports
WJZ—Heidt Orchestra
WABC—Report From London
WMCA—News; Western Songs
4:15—WEAF—Cesar Searchinger, News
WOR, WABC—Racing at Belmont
4:30—WEAF—Doctors at War
WOR—Show Shop
WABC—Col. Stoopnagle Show

Radio Concerts

5:30-8:30 P.M., WNYC (also FM)—Victory Concert from the Public Library
5:30-8 P.M., WQXR (also FM)—Milton Katims, violinist
6-8:55 P.M., WLIB—Great Classics
7:05-8 P.M., WNYC (also FM)—Masterwork Hour
8-9 P.M., WQXR (also FM)—Symphony Hall

8:30-9:30 P.M., WJZ—Boston Pops Orchestra, Arthur Fiedler, conducting
9-9:55 P.M., WNYC (also FM)—David Latimer continues his exploration of literature for the piano
9:45-10:15 P.M., WABC (also FM)—Jessica Dragonette, soprano
12 P.M.-1 A.M., WEVD—Symphonic Hour

5:00—WEAF—Your America, Variety
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—News; Concert Orchestra
WABC—Corliss Archer
5:15—WOR—Howard Orchestra
5:30—WEAF—Ohio Handicap, Randall Park
WOR—Mother and Dad
WQXR—American Artists Series
5:45—WEAF—Curt Massey, Songs
WOR—Eleanor King-Talk
WJZ—Nancy Martin, Songs

6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00—WEAF—News Reports
WOR—Sydney Moseley, News
WJZ—News; John B. Kennedy
WABC—Quincy Howe, News
WMCA—News; Monica Lewis, Songs
WQXR—Music to Remember
6:15—WEAF—Hollywood Theatre
WOR—To Be Announced
WJZ—Storyland Theatre
WABC—People's Platform
WMCA—It's Navy Time
6:30—WOR—News; Frank Singler
WJZ—Harry Wismer—Sports
WMCA—Fighting Words
6:45—WEAF—Religion in the News
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Leon Henderson, News
WABC—The World Today—News
WMCA—Sports—Steve Ellis
7:00—WEAF—The American Story
WOR—Guess Who?—Quiz
WJZ—Those Good Old Days
WABC—Mayor of the Town
WMCA—News; Flatterbrains
7:30—WEAF—Elmer Queen Show
WOR—News; Arthur Hale
WJZ—Music America Loves
WABC—Bob Hawk Quiz Show
WMCA—Johannes Steel, News
7:45—WOR—The Answer Man
8:00—WEAF—Able's Irish Rose
WOR—Frank Singler, News
WJZ—Early American Music
WABC—Groucho Marx, Comedy
8:15—WOR—Studio Music
8:30—WEAF—Truth or Consequences
WOR—The Cisco Kid
WJZ—Boston Pops Orchestra
WABC—Inner Sanctum
8:55—WABC—Ned Calmer, News

9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00—WEAF—National Barn Dance
WOR—Operetta—Music
WABC—Hit Parade
9:30—WEAF—Can You Top This?
WJZ—Spotlight Band
WMCA—Swing Session
9:45—WABC—Saturday Serenade
9:55—WJZ—Quick Quiz
10:00—WEAF—Barry Wood, Songs
WOR—Royal Gunnison, News
WJZ—Lombardo Orchestra
10:15—WOR—True Detective Stories
WABC—Correction Please—Quiz
WJZ—Army Service Forces—Drama
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Literary Lookout

A Book That Belongs on the Shelf
Alongside Under Cover and Sabotage

By Samuel Putnam

Here is a book that goes on the shelf alongside Under Cover and Sabotage, for ready reference when you want the low-down on Poison-Pen Pegler, Charles Lindbergh, Fulton Lewis, Jr., Reader's Digest, and other "American" pro-fascists. I am referring to Facts and Fascism, by George Seldes, which has just been published by In Fact, Inc., 25 Astor Pl., New York City, at the very reasonable price of \$1.50.

I am aware that this may sound somewhat like an advertisement, and I don't mind if it does. It is, I assure you, an unsolicited one. A fighting liberal is perhaps a sufficiently rare phenomenon at any time; and when you do find such a one, with clarity of vision and the courage to follow his vision to the end, at the sacrifice of soft berths and pats on the back, then surely he has a little publicity coming to him.

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A good portion of deep-thinking, honest-intentioned, truth-seeking America now knows George Seldes through the little but deadly newsletter In Fact, which he publishes each week. An old-time and highly capable newspaper man—you will recall that he began his rebellious career with a volume entitled You Can't Print That (but Seldes did print it)—he has performed a unique and invaluable service by his exposures of the trucking villainies of the big capitalist press, thereby carrying on the tradition of Upton Sinclair's Brass Check, but with much more of accurate, firsthand information at his disposal than Sinclair had.

Nor have Seldes' fearless attacks been confined to this particular sector of newspaperdom. He re-

cently did a superb job on that mincing, pirouetting "liberal" organ, PM.

Personally speaking, I may say that I have known George Seldes for the past 15 years or more, since our Paris days, and there is no one whose self-sacrificing integrity and fine abilities I respect more highly. Which is not to say that I always agree with him, and I believe that this would be true of Marxists in general.

WRONG ABOUT LEGION

In the present volume, for example, I think he is too all-out in his condemnation of the American Legion. Especially of late, the progressive forces in the Legion have been coming to the fore and have been taking a firm stand against Colonel McCormick, Ham Fish and the seditionists, and other saboteurs of the war effort. These forces, even though they may not be in the top leadership, are not to be overlooked.

So, too, with the National Association of Manufacturers. This organization is no longer, in this period, to be dismissed as "the Men Who Finance American Fascism." As Earl Browder has pointed out, the NAM is by no means all of one piece, and it is also American Big Capital which is in good part fighting this People's War, along with labor and the people.

Nevertheless, George Seldes remains a brave and lonely, an admirable figure. And being at once brave and, on the whole, clear-sighted; he does not, like the author of Under Cover and like the Max Lerner type of liberal, find it necessary to assume a self-protecting veneer of red-baiting.

I think you will want this book.

Soviet Audience Cheers American Hit Parade Tunes



SERGIE LEMESHEV, Stalin prize laureate, sings American songs at the concert of American, British and Soviet music in Tchaikovsky Hall in Moscow. Two songs which received great ovations at the performance were Love Walked In and Begin the Beguine. According to one broadcaster from Moscow, "It sounded like a Saturday night Hit Parade with a Sinatra-fan audience in attendance." —Radiohead by Sovfoto

PLAYS

The Ghost Walks Again

By Ralph Warner

Far be it from me to point with alarm at the phalanx of angels, ghosts and other supernatural creatures which has descended upon Broadway in recent weeks. They are pretty feeble folk; these visible and palpable gentry of the upper and nether worlds. At any rate, they tread the boards for a few weeks, then disappear.

Father Gerard M. Murray, a Catholic priest of Queens, is the author of "Career Angel," latest of this troupe. Father Murray wrote his play originally for a high school cast, for it contains numerous roles for adolescent boys and thus utilized student actors. At the Blackfriars Guild Theatre on 57th St., Man., it enjoyed a modest run. Now it has been professionalized, with an excellent cast headed by Whitford Kane and Glenn Anders.

Since the setting is a Catholic orphanage and priests play leading roles, "Career Angel" is the most serious, although also the most humorous of the several recent plays of the spirit world. And since it reflects the thinking of a liberal Catholic priest, it merits serious analysis. Father Murray has tried to show the divergencies of opinion among the brothers—his Catholic teachers are of varied opinions even on fundamentals—thus his hero, old Brother Seraphim frankly accuses his superior of agnosticism.

Like Gilbert Chesterton, whom Father Murray quotes, this clerical-

CAREER ANGEL, a comedy by Gerard M. Murray, with Glenn Anders and Whitford Kane. Staged by Don Appel. Setting by Carl Kent. Presented by Andrew Billings and Joseph Dickx in association with David Shay at the National Theatre on May 24, 1944.

second act. Indeed, Quite apart from his plea for later-day miracles, Father Murray believes in scientific proof—he flatly states that he accepts it up to the point where proof cannot be found. But so does the materialist. Politically, Father Murray and his angel are on the side of FDR, the United Nations, and against the anti-British enemies of unity against the aggressor. Just to keep in line, however, he tosses in the old "Nazi, Fascist, Communist" tie-up, quite as if no Soviet Union existed. Well, it was a pretty tough job for any playwright to rationalize his way through Career Angel's intricate maze of contradictions. Father Murray had courage enough to try. If he has not succeeded, it's because he refuses to look beyond the parish wall.

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directed by Rene Clair. A United

Artist's release at the Gotham. Dick

Powell, Linda Darnell head the cast,

with John Phillip, Edgar Kennedy

and Edward Brophy among the

featured players.

MUSIC

Victory Concert, New York Public

Library, 5:30 p.m. Emma Bel-

dan, soprano; Phillis Moss, piano.

Chorus of the Furriers Joint

Council, Town Hall, evening. Con-

ductor, Max Helfman. Program:

Songs of the United Nations.

DANCE

Country Dance Society, Berard

Hall, Bernard College, Broadway

and 117 St., 8:30 p.m.

La Meri and Nitya Dancers,

Ethiologic Theatre, 110 E. 59 St.,

9 p.m.

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Truman Answers FDR Foes

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 26 (UP).—Sen. Harry S. Truman (D-Mo), tonight denounced critics who contend that the Roosevelt Administration has endangered free enterprise and private initiative and said that the nation never again will permit "the ruthless exploitation of the many for the benefit of the few."

"There has been no change in the form of our government," he told the Connecticut Democratic convention. "There has been no jettisoning of our Constitution, there has been no sacrifice of our right to be governed by public servants of our own choosing." He called for FDR's reelection.

Italian Partisans Harass Nazis

Partisans in northern Italy have torn up the rails of the Brenner Pass railroad at a number of points and attacked German military depots in the province of Novara, according to a British broadcast Friday heard by CBS in New York.

Stalingrad Tractor Plant Resuming Soon

The vast Stalingrad tractor works will resume operation by the middle of next month, the British radio said Friday, according to United Press.

The broadcast, reported by CBS, said the works, wrecked by the Germans in the historic siege, had been repaired after 18 months' labor.

Damage Bridges on Oslo-Bergen Line

Norwegian patriots have destroyed one bridge and seriously damaged another on the Drammen-Hoenefos section of the main railway line between Oslo and Bergen on Norway's west coast, forcing the Germans to divert traffic to a secondary line, according to an article in the Stockholm newspaper Aftonbladet.

Soviets Down 18 Planes

LONDON, ay 26 (UP).—The Soviet war bulletin broadcast tonight by the Moscow radio again reported no important changes on the Eastern Front and said that Soviet forces shot down 18 German planes on Thursday.

Smash Tokio Attempt at Myitkyina

SOUTHEAST ASIA HEADQUARTERS, Kandy, Ceylon, May 26 (UP).—The second Japanese attempt in two days to reinforce their garrison at Myitkyina was smashed Wednesday night when Chinese troops intercepted an enemy column west of the north Burma stronghold, inflicting severe casualties, it was announced today.

A Southeast Asia Command communique also reported continued heavy fighting at the southern edge of the Imphal plain in Manipur, with the invaders suffering heavy losses in attacks on British Imperial positions guarding the approaches to Imphal.

Chinese Near Key Yunnan Base

CHUNGKING, ay 26 (UP).—Chinese troops sweeping down the western slopes of the Kaili Mountains to capture Tatangtsu and Hung-mushu closely threaten Tengchung, main Japanese base in far western Yunnan, and a major battle for the city is imminent, a Chinese military spokesman said today.

The four key cities in the Yunnan-north Burma area still held by the Japanese are Tengchung, Lungling, Myitkyina and Mogaung, the spokesman said, and once they have been occupied the overland route will be free.

China Ask World Postwar Body

CHUNGKING, May 26 (UP).—The central executive committee of the Kuomintang, China's national government party, called today for the establishment before the end of the war of international machinery to maintain peace.

In a manifesto issued at the close of its 12th plenary session, the committee also recommended an intensification of China's war effort against Japan, strict government control over prices, increased administrative efficiency, complete local self-government and national government "by the rule of law."

DODGERS LOSE TO CARDS; Other Scores

NATIONAL LEAGUE

ST. LOUIS 1 0 1 0 0 0 1 2 0-5 8 1
BROOKLYN 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0-3 7 3
Lanier, Jurisich and W. Cooper; Gregg, Webber (8) and Bragan.

CHICAGO 0 4 2 0 0 0 1 2 0-3 14 0
PHILADELPHIA 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0-1 9 2
Derringer and Holm; Gerhauser, Covington (3), Donahue (3) and Finley.

PITTSBURGH 0 1 0 0 0 0 3 3 0-7 7 0
BOSTON 0 0 0 0 2 1 1 1 0-5 12 0
Roe, Rescigno (7), Sewell (8) and Lopez; Andrews, Hutchinson (7), Klopp (9) and Klutts.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

PHILADELPHIA 2 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0-3 9 1
DETROIT 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 2-2 8 2
Newsom, Berry (9) and Hayes; Trout and Swift.

With the Anzio and main fronts joined the Allied armies are inexorably squeezing the Nazis from the coastal area and forcing the enemy to withdraw northward. Soviet information indicates that Field Marshal Kesselring, Nazi commander, will use all cities marked with the swastika on map, as supply and reserve depots to bolster his cracking armies. Civilians in these cities, says the report, have been ordered to evacuate.



By a Veteran Commander

THE ADVANCE IN ITALY CONTINUES

AT FIRST glance, it would seem that our troops are forging a trap between Roccasecca and Cisterna, but in reality there is little doubt that the Germans have evacuated the area and that the trap is empty. At present there are no potential traps forming in Italy and it is sheer journalistic over-optimism to talk about such traps.

American and French troops have captured Sonnino and Roccasecca, threatening the transversal road between Ceccano and the Appian Way, but this road is of little importance to the Germans who have moved their forces back to Ceccano and Frosinone.

The British have cleared Pontecorvo, but the Poles have failed so far to take Piedimonte. Thus, in fact, the advance in the Cassino sector has been extremely small (about six miles in two weeks).

There are reports of German reinforcements streaming southward from Rome, toward Velletri and Frosinone and some even expect violent German counteraction against our extremely extended southern wing. We still doubt that Kesselring will attack in force with offensive intent. He will probably limit himself to defensive delaying counterblows until his troops have had a chance to establish themselves on the main line of resistance (Pescara-Popoli - Sulmona - Trasacco - Avezzano-Valmontone - Velletri - Albano - Mouth of the Tiber). They will also defend vigorously the outposts of this line at Aprilia, Cisterna, Frosinone, Ceprano, Arce, Sora, Roccaraso and Chieti.

Thus, all talk about "destroying" the German armies in Italy is for the present so much wishful thinking. Our troops have done beautifully under existing extremely hard conditions. They have, as pointed out before, demonstrated their ability to crack German fortified lines

practically by frontal assault only. They are tying up a number of German divisions in Italy. All this is to the good, but let us not talk about things which are, for the present, unattainable. That "head-linitis" has got us again, I am afraid.

TO THE customary targets of the Allied Air Forces were added Lyon and Toulon. Vichy reported Allied planes over eastern France. Germany, Belgium, Holland were visited. Aside from the "invasion zone," aerial blows were struck at the Rhone-Rhine zone in the rear. Most targets were railroads and airfields.

OUR troops in New Guinea reached the Maffin Bay airfield in the Wakde area. Pearl Harbor headquarters confirmed that our task force had attacked Marcus Island for two days and, on its way back, had "visited" Wake. Practically no Japanese planes were encountered during the operation which is significant and might indicate that the enemy now is concentrating on the defense of his inner ring, having decided that his outer defenses are doomed anyway.

There is no important news from the Burma-India front, except that the Chinese have gained important ground in their drive across the Salween toward Lashio.

There is still no Chinese confirmation of the capture of Loyang by the Japanese.

It has been announced that our submarines have sunk another 15 Japanese ships in Pacific and Far Eastern waters. Since the first of the year our undersea craft have sunk better than a ship a day. All in all, since the beginning of the war our subs have sunk 573 Japanese ships. No wonder the Japanese need an overland route in China!

PINKY RANKIN

ONE OF THE PRISONERS KILLS A GUARD AND DRAGS HIM BACK INTO THE CROWD.

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...AND START SINGING WHEN I GET NEAR HIM--TO DROWN OUT THE SHOTS.

DOCK LLOYD